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NORTHWEST MINES.

Review of Mines of Central and Southern Idaho.

THE GREAT WOOD RIVER DISTRICT.

The Salmon River Yankee Fork Rocky Bar and Other Mines—The Owyhee District—Snake River Placers, Etc. Etc.

CHAPTER VII.

THE MINES OF CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN IDAHO.

BY HERBERT AS

The mines of Southern and Central Idaho embrace both lodes and placers. In their development the latter naturally came first, and for over a quarter of a century the names of the noted camps in the territory have been household words. Not less celebrated are the great quartz mines, to which we shall advert in the succeeding account. The mining history of Idaho has been remarkable, and her yield of precious metals very great.

Dismissing this topic, we will proceed to the briefest possible discussion of the geological status of the territory, preparatory to taking up in detail the more important mining localities and individual mines.

It will be convenient to consider the mining regions in the following order: The mines of Wood river, the mines of Salmon river and its tributaries; the mines of the Boise river and its tributaries; the mines of Washington county; the mines of Owyhee.

The first question on educated miners' lips is, What country rock are they in? To answer comprehensively in regard to the Idaho mines, we have to explain that a variety of veins bearing rocks exists. A very large granite area occupies the southern and southwestern parts, extending from near Yankee fork to Silver City, and from the Weiser country almost to Wood river, and covering fully 10,000 square miles. A great part of this region shows granitic exposures, but a portion has metamorphic strata lying upon and obscuring the granite. While in still other localities eruptive rocks—basalt overlie both metamorphic and granitic series. In the Boise Basin and other auriferous tracts vast deposits of gravel overlie everything else. The granitic rocks in the sections mined by the streams in other parts to a great extent, and there are the usual grounds for believing that they underlie the whole territory. The granite is the country, or wall rock, of the old and celebrated mines of Atlanta, and Rocky Bar, and prevails generally throughout Alta and Boise counties, and the northern part of Owyhee, and the western parts of Alturas and Custer. The granite is of no uncommon sort, aside from its containing mineral veins, but throughout its extent there are unmistakable signs of subaqueous chemical action, in that mineral and hot springs abound, and dykes of lava rocks are numerous. These are regarded as symptoms, or rather unfailing concomitants of vein formation. The springs are apt to be alkaline—a fact which will be regarded as very significant by those readers who have perused the discussion on vein-formative processes in the chapter on Cour d'Alene.

The veins in granite as a rule are narrow being not over three feet wide in most cases, but are very numerous. There are exceptions to this rule of narrowness, such as the Atlanta lode, which is seventy-five feet wide in places. The gangue is usually quartz, and there is a great deal of "horse" matter consisting of granite which is commonly supposed to have fallen into the vein, but which the observant reader of he has carefully regarded the theory of vein formation, will have no difficulty of accounting for in a more consistent way.

Both gold and silver are contained in the veins, and in varying proportion. The gold is native, and constitutes parts of the quartz; also occurs in the associated pyrites chalcopyrite, mispickel or zincblende. The silver is in the condition of chloride when near the surface, but in depth is found as sulphide or stephanite, or in ruby silver or gray copper. Antimonials are rare, and galena more so.

Proceeding to the more elevated region to the east of Boise, we find beyond the head of the headwaters of the Boise and its tributaries, an extensive region of limestone in heavy strata, carrying in the irregular bunchy lodes peculiar to that rock, the very valuable and extensive deposits of lead-silver ores at Wood river. This is one of the most productive mining regions of the United States. Its ores are of a high grade usually, and are of the class denominated smeltings in contradistinction to the ores of the granite belt just described, which, of course, are milling ores. We will begin our brief review of the mines of Southern and Central Idaho, with a description of the Wood river deposits, touching chiefly upon their mode of occurrence and telling what has been done upon them, and enlarging upon the subject to the extent permissible by the limited space at command.

SEC. 2.—WOOD RIVER.

The Wood river region, like the one last named is a mountainous and difficult country, whose wealth is in silver and lead. It lies at an elevation of from 5200 feet at the south (Bellevue) to 8000 in the north, near Galena, the distance being forty miles, or thereabouts. It contains one of the most extensive belts of argentiferous lead ore ever worked in the world, and only exceeded in the massive size of its veins by the gigantic lodes of Wardner. The first locations were made in 1879, and in the following year a grand rush began, which resulted in the discovery and development of hundreds of veins, over 200 of which are now or have been paying. Towns were built up, and business grew so extensive that a railroad was built to the mines from Granger, Wyoming, to Shoshone Junction, Cassia county, and thence north to Bellevue, Hailey and Ketchum, the principal mining centers, while a main branch, called the Oregon Short Line, was pushed on north west to a junction with the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's line at Huntington, Baker county, Oregon. The introduction of railway communication gave a great impetus to mining enterprises on Wood river.

DESCRIPTION OF THE COUNTRY.

The Wood river mining region has been divided into three principal sections, namely: Mineral Hill, extending north from Bellevue about fifteen miles; Bellevue and Warm Springs, thence ten miles north Galena district, from Warm Springs to Sawtooth. Disregarding minor subdivisions, we will endeavor to tell briefly what mines there are, how they are worked, and what becomes of the ores.

The traveler entering the Wood river country by rail finds that the road there gradually turns the north, entering the mountains proper at about Bellevue, the first mining locality. Here we will leave the railway. Across Wood river, which flows along the west side of Bellevue is Broadford, the residence of a great many miners who are employed in the neighboring mines, of which many are notable, among the

THE MINNIE MOORE,

A mine which, according to rumor has been sold lately for $1 000,000. This property has been worked for five years. It is worked by shaft, with drifts every fifty feet. The shaft is inclined and has three compartments, and is down about 250 feet. The lode is very large, and the ordinary output has been fifty tons per day, which is mainly second class, or concentrating ore. There is a first rate hoisting works, a concentrator with rolls and five lines of jigs, capable of handling 75 tons of ore per day. And a great many modern improvements besides. It employs 100 men and is owned by an English corporation who paid $500,000 for it. The annual product reaches 60,000 ounces of silver, and the ore produced in a year contains 200 tons of lead. The latest strike in this mine has revealed an ore about six feet six inches thick, having in the middle a streak of steel galena and gray copper ten feet thick, that is of very high grade, with three feet of good concentrating ore on the sides. They men now working at the mine are driving a cross-cut to the north, and when that is completed they will have a large body of ore in sight. Ore is now being shipped, and a carload of ore is daily shipped.

MILLIONS FOR THE MINE.

Has for three years stood a front rank among the Wood river mines. It is owned by the Bellevue Idaho Mining company of Salt Lake City, John A. Hunter president; C. Conklin, treasurer; F. C. Horn, secretary; H. Park, vice-president; J. A. Lusk, superintendent. The ore as it comes from the mine is hand-cobbed, and the second class is put through the concentrating mill, one of the most perfect and convenient in the country, the capacity of which is fifty tons. The mine is now shipping a carload of first-class ore and concentrates daily. The ore is brought from the mouth of the mine a few feet down hill to the rolls, whence it passes through the jigs, etc., situated in a building which is constructed in successive stages on the slope. The machinery is propelled by steam. There are from sixty-five to one hundred men employed, and a monthly dividend is paid. The 300 tons of concentrates and first-class ore goes to Denver to be smelted. The lead contents is 70 to 75 per cent; silver, 80 to 100 ounces.

The Queen has three-fourths of a mile of underground works. It should by all means be visited by those whose business takes them to Bellevue or Hailey. The monthly pay-roll of this and the other mines near by amounts to over $20,000 per month. The Queen shipped in 1885 3600 tons of ore, worth $464,000. Transportation and charges for treatment amounted to $37 per ton, or a total of $134,000. It costs $1 per ton to concentrate. This splendid mine affords the very best example of intelligent mining work, and well illustrates the advances that have been made in a country where six years ago only a few prospects were being worked and less than 1000 people were found where 10,000 live to-day in prosperity and security.

The King mine is on a vein sixty feet thick, carrying a quantity of gray copper ore. The Lark and Hamburg claims are worked intermittently, and yield principally galena. The Man-mouth has a large body of low grade galena, which it has mainly shipped to Omaha and Salt Lake, although it put up its own smelting furnace in 1884. The Michigan comes next and also has a large vein. The Star is a good mine, containing a fair deposit of galena and gray copper. It is leased. The Queen Victoria, Monday, Oswego and other good mines are close by, and over on Ornament Hill are the Ornament, Gap, Ohio, and fully 100 other claims, all south of Croy creek, which runs into the Wood river just opposite Hailey.

Next north and lying on or around the eleva tion known as Mineral Hill, and between the river, Croy and Deer creeks, is Bullion district, six miles west by north of Hailey. Bullion City is in a gulch in the center of the district, surrounded by the Ophir, Bullion, Jay Gould, May flower, Eureka, Idaho, O. K. and other rich mines. They are all rich in galena, gray copper etc., which goes as high as 900 ounces and there is a great deal of it.

THE BULLION MINE

Has gray copper worth over 200 ounces, and in the mine are over two miles of underground works. It has a concentrator of twenty tons daily capacity, which paid for itself the first week it was put in operation. The mine was first opened in 1881, but not much ore was shipped until the railway got in, since when it has become a great producer. It sent in 1882 195 tons of ore to Salt Lake and received $310 per ton therefor. A hundred men were employed, and ten tons of first-class and twenty tons of second-class ore daily extracted, the second class ore being concentrated to about four tons. Work is now less active, and the Bullion has retrograded in the scale of importance. It is now working a small seam, from six to twelve inches wide, and taking out a little ore.

The Eureka mine is in a canyon near the town of Bullion. Its ore is ordinarily rich, carrying sixty to ninety ounces, with sixty per cent. lead at the best. A large proportion is second class or concentrating ore, which is dressed at the mine, the works having the capacity of seventy tons daily. The mine is regarded as very deep for that country, the shaft being down over 600 feet, over sixty feet of which was in solid galena.

THE MAYFLOWER,

One of the most important mines of the section, lies next above the Bullion, and but a short distance off. It is a great shipper of ores, and has now ore-dressing works capable of handling sixty tons daily, which are of the usual form, with jigs, Cornish rolls, etc. The mine is owned by Farwell & Co., of Chicago, who have derived wealth from it. They ship ore to Omaha. It is worked by tunnels, whose aggregate length is over 3000 feet. The vein averages a yard in thickness and yields very fine ore, 600 tons shipped to Omaha having averaged $180 per ton. The concentrations have amounted to six daily, and with first-class ores make a carload of shipments per day. The mine is now closed down. In one of its earlier years it shipped 8000 tons of ore, 1000 tons of which, the first shipped, averaged 175 ounces silver, and 70 per cent. lead. The mine is said, sold for $180,000.

THE AS GOLD

Comes next above the Mayflower and has shipped heavy amounts of ore of the richest sort. It has a concentrator and is worked by tunnels, one of which cuts the lode at a depth of 700 feet. The vein reaches six feet or more in thickness, a large proportion being first class smelting ore. It has yielded an average of ten tons per day for years at a time, of ore worth over $100 per ton. Large shipments have averaged 70 per cent. lead, and 150 ounces silver. The mine was purchased by Warren Hussey, Esq., for $10,000 some years since but is held much higher now.

THE HYDRAS

Comes only regarded as the greatest of the Wood river mines, is situated about a mile from the town of Bullion. The lode is very prominent upon the surface and was early located. It is on a contact between lime and slate, and is nearly perpendicular. The ore is galena, with a small proportion of gray copper. At the surface the lode is twelve or fifteen feet thick, but gets wider with depth, reaching nearly thirty feet in places. Above ores are low grade, but richer and richer seams of ore lying between stringers of quartz which is somewhat mineralized with galena, etc., and suitable for concentration. The mine is worked by shaft and adits, and has been expensively fitted up with hoisting works, draining tunnel, etc. The ore is of a valuable quality, lots of many hundred tons averaging a hundred and twenty five dollars per ton in silver and lead. Among the improvements are a concentrator that cost $10,000 consisting of a rock breaker, Cornish rolls, revolving screens, ore dryer, double compartment jigs, size boxes, engine and boiler, a ditch 300 yards long, tool-ing house, office, blacksmith shop, two ore houses, two miles of railway track in and around the mine, and innumerable tunnels, winzes and shafts. This fine property was sold for $170 000 in 1885. In 1883 it produced $200 000, and this year has shipped as much as 100 tons per week.

OTHER CLAIMS.

Near Deer creek are a large number of mines, of which we will casually mention the Wolf Tone, owned by a Philadelphia corporation; the Narrow Gauge No. 1, the Narrow Gauge No. 2, the Bannock, these being the property of Chicago people the Robert Emmet, Montana, Bull Whacker, Washington, Davitt, Imperial, Snow Fly, all being shippers of ore, and some of them valuable mines.

Passing north to the Warm Springs district we enter another region of productive mines situated west and north west of Ketchum. The Ontario is on Warm Spring creek, and has a lode six feet thick of rich galena and oxide of ore, which is worth over a hundred dollars per ton as it stands in the mine. This is the property of a powerful company, who own other properties in the neighborhood, but they have shut down the Ontario, and its concentrator of late. Here are the Buzzo mining company's properties, producing concentrating ores which are dressed in a concentrator which belongs to the company, cost $6000, and has a daily capacity of forty tons and is driven by water power. The lode worked by this company is of limestone, carrying lead ores in a gangue of quartz, calcite and pink manganese. There are miles of these underground works. Near by and a mile or so these are the Ajax Night Hawk, Yellow Jacket and other mines. The first class shipping ore in this region is as valuable as any, and generally assays over a hundred dollars in silver and lead. The West Fork and Black Hawk mines belong to a Philadelphia company, who use smelter at Ketchum we will notice later. They paid $16,000 for the former mine, in which a man took out 100 tons of ore worth $50 000 in twenty days. Near the Ontario are the Hallowell, North Star, Poorman and others in limestone and granite belt. They have concentrator, capacity fifty tons daily. These ore averages 100 ounces silver, sixty per cent. lead.

WARM SPRINGS ORES.

Rises in the high region whose cuts mark the points are the Pinon peaks, about the head of Big and Little Smoky rivers. The creek runs west and empties into Wood river at Ketchum. A is head, or, more exactly, on the west slope of the divide which separates Warm Springs creek from the waters which flow westward, are a promising group of mines, of which the Carmichael is chief. The Silver Star belongs to the Philadelphia Smelting company, and has a three-foot vein of gray copper, which assays very high. It has produced considerable ore in the four years of its working.

The Niagara mine belongs to the ontario company but is worked under lease by Messrs. Rowe, Gooding, Keores and Vivian, who have a fair sized deposit of good ore in sight. The A is running a long tunnel, now nine feet from the surface, and expect to develop the

THE CARBIE LEONARD

Is not now a great producer. There are many thousand tons of concentrating ore in sight, and shipments in a year have amounted to [illegible]. There is a [illegible] concentrator on the property of the company. The vein is nine and a half feet in width.

SOUTH DISTRICT.

Lies at both the heads of Big and Little Smoky rivers, and contains many locations and a number of good mines. The center of the district, or old stricts, is about twenty five miles west of Ketchum. The Smoky Bullion Mining company of New York own the most valuable properties, among them the Providence, Ophir, Smoky Bullion and Wallace mines, some of which contain large bodies of galena rich in silver and gold. The company have a very fine concentrating plant of thirty tons daily capacity. The Isabella claim has a three-foot vein of high grade silver ore, assaying from 150 to 900 ounces. The Huntington Mining company own the Little Smoky, Buckeye, and other claims. The Fourth of July is spoken of as an important claim. The king of the West is a fine one, but lacks machinery. The ores and concentrates produced in Smoky Bullion district are shipped to Ketchum via Warm Springs creek. To deliver ore at the smelter there costs $3 per ton, and they are subject to a charge of $30 per ton for treatment as they run low in leads. These expenses are declared too heavy for the ores to stand. There was a five stamp mill in use to work the tailings from the concentrator, but its success or failure has not been announced. The idea was that free gold existed in the ore. The Smoky district contains perhaps 250 miners. Six thousand tons of ore are on the dump of the Silver Star mine, which is owned by the Philadelphia Mining and Smelting company, and daily shipments of high grade ore are made to Ketchum. The vein varies from four to nineteen feet in width. It is proposed to expend $100,000 on a concentra or.

Likhorn gulch, east of Ketchum, contains some fine properties, chief among them being

THE LIKHORN MINE,

Which is on a lode in limestone, which dips sixty degrees east and appears like an ordinary vein in having regular walls. It is worked by shafts and tunnels and contains an almost solid mass of lead ores, galena, and oxide of iron to pounds, from two to nine feet thick. The output of this mine in 1884 was [illegible] tons averaging eighty seven ounces silver and 60 per cent. lead gross product, $[illegible], no dividends, $100,000. The group of mines about here, called the Likhorn group, produced in the same year 3[illegible] ounces gold, 1[illegible],000 ounces silver, and [illegible] tons lead, of a total value of $300,000, and gave employment to twenty persons.

The Parker mine, a mile above the Likhorn, is the deepest mine in Wood river. It is owned by W. H. West. Its lode is in lime, and is from five to eight feet thick, a part only of the vein mineral being ores, which assays at less than 100 ounces silver and 40 per cent lead. The total annual production lies between $100,000 and $200,000, reaching in 1881 $400,000, of which $70,000 were dividends. Its ledge is about a yard wide, and contains several distinct ore bodies, producing ores that reach 1 000 ounces silver and 65 per cent. lead. Near this mine is the Baltimore, a valuable claim, as yet barely developed but has paid $40,000 in one year.

THE SOONDAY

Situate, on Likhorn mountain four miles east of ketchum, has a fine lode six to ten feet wide, of oxidized ore, soft, and requiring in blasting that runs from 20 to 70 per cent lead, with forty to eighty ounces silver, and small pockets of richer silver ore intermingled with it. The main ore body is concentrating ore and contains large quantities of it. It is time we [illegible] of access by a wagon road over which teams haul five tons in a wagon to Bailey twelve miles, being a slight descent all the way. Its mine's production in 1885 was $2 000 as reported.

The Sunset City mine owned by Prof. Jones and others but now worked under lease for ten times produced some very rich assays. Assays made this year gave 2300, 1[illegible] and 400 ounces silver per ton as the contents of gneiss shipped at various times, aggregating twelve ne

ON LEAD B

Northeast of Hailey, is the Rajmaster mine, owned by the Philadelphia smelting company and worked by tunnels and an incline. The vein is very rich, and containing numerous pockets of galena. The North Star [illegible] and by the company, has shipped much [illegible] it assaying from 100 to 150 ounces silver and 60 per cent lead. The ore is mostly massive galena and galena, and a concentrator has been erected to treat it. The vein now worked is twenty five feet wide, with bunches of first class ore in it, and is the [illegible] being concentrating ore. A mile and a half long is to connect the mine with the railway. The output is over forty tons per day.

The Morning Star, the first extension of the North Star, marks as promising a showing. The Southern Belle is leasing the mine, which is a narrow ore-streak, assaying well in lead and silver, and containing $10 or $20 per ton in gold a rare accompaniment in galena mines.

The Pride of Idaho, on the south [illegible] of the East Fork is described as a well-defined ledge, eighteen inches thick, in limestone, and is worked by four tunnels. Its ore assays from fifty to 500 ounces. Its vein is exposed for 100 yards on the surface. Its output in 1881 was about $20 000, the weight of ore being 100 tons.

The Silver Fortune, on East Fork, has what is pronounced to be the largest body of ore on Wood river. The vein in sixteen feet wide, of low grade ore, lead sixty per cent., silver forty ounces. It is about to be worked on a large scale. Such ore commands a sufficient price in the smelters to make the working profitable, and there seems to be a great prospect of wealth from this well mined mine.

[illegible] WOOD RIVER DISTRICT.

Lies twenty miles east of Ramey on one of the forks of Little Wood river. In it are several mining properties of note, of which the principal is the Muldoon, a noted mine and the property of the Little Wood River Mining and Smelting company, a branch of the Philadelphia Mining and Smelting company, who have operated so extensively at and around Ketchum. The company bought, four years ago, the Muldoon mine, paying $[illegible], and set to work to develop their property thoroughly. It is now a main tunnel 900 feet on the vein, in ore all the way, and connected the extremity of it with the surface by a perpendicular upraise, which was also in solid ore. Five levels were run from this shaft, every seventy feet or thereabouts, sections of the ore taken out being sent to a smelter that was built lately. They have built a tramway 1 8[illegible] feet long from the dumps at the foot of the mountain, with ore houses at each end. The smelting works are elaborate and complete, and are not surpassed elsewhere as to their contents. There are two of Raskin brattice furnaces, with blowers, ore crushers and roasting ore-kettles. There is a full and complete Frueh electric light plant, and twenty [illegible] kilns, each of 1000 bushels capacity, connected by a tramway with the works. The [illegible] ore for the test was smelted and over 100 tons of bullion produced. The working is as [illegible] the ore being flowing or running over easy distant. The ore first extracted assays 45 per cent lead and 160 ounces silver. The product for 1885 was $ 4,000 in gold and silver [illegible] reported. After quite a season of active work the smelting establishment closed and is for sale for the present. The mine has produced largely of late years, the encouraging developments having been made. An ore body of [illegible] feet of solid galena was found in the Muldoon shaft after [illegible] distance which assayed [illegible] ounces silver per ton.

NORTH FORK DISTRICT.

The country becomes more elevated and rugged as Wood river dwindles as we approach its sources. Numerous creeks, Eagle creek, Fox creek, Porphyry creek, Jack creek, Boulder creek, Canyon creek, Owl creek, Cherry creek and some others come down from high mountains, on whose sides a great many prospects have been found. The town of Galena site at an elevation of 7400 feet and is surrounded by lead silver mines, the district being the most northerly of what is considered the Wood river country. A toll road leads west to the west fork of salmon river over a pass very little short of 9000 feet high, and trails lead north and east, connecting the Wood river country with Sawtooth and other camps north, east and west.

The Senate group of mines, out north of Galena and about the headwaters of Cherry creek, are the principal claims. They are the Senate, Kid, Red Cloud, etc. The Senate vein is in places as wide as thirteen feet, but averages less. It carries a very large percentage of iron oxides, and lime lead, and assays twenty ounces of silver and upwards per ton. The mine is worked by tunnel 500 feet long with an upraise to surface 160 feet. The best ores assay thirty to fifty ounces, with twenty five to forty per cent. lead. Ores more are now extracted in ore. A smelter of thirty tons daily capacity was erected by the company, but is understood not to have been successful. It is now being converted into a concentrator to dress the large quantities of low grade ore which it contains. Coal is abundant, and is procured from the Sawtooth mine. The President, Delta and Conway cabin mines, owned by a New York mining company, are near by. The latter has a five foot vein, assaying fifty per cent. lead and eighteen ounces silver. The company have effected a good deal of development, and claim to have proved. There is nothing more to do since the work her mines. How long they will continue their present output is not to be guessed at, but indications favor a long productive existence. Those who [illegible] upon the possibilities of [illegible] in the region of Wood river, overlooking the fact that the [illegible] are largely above instead of beneath the surface, this is the most singular mistake of the kind ever made in the country, and it is not the counterpart in the world. The ore-bodies of years ago [illegible] worth of ore from the ore pits, which yielded $ 30 to $100 per ton, 50 per cent. of it silver, the rest gold. It was then worked as a quarry, and [illegible] experts who came to report on it saw two or three millions of dollars in sight. In 1879 Raggin, Tevis, Grayson & Co. of San Francisco bought the mine for $[illegible],000, it is said, though the reports of the transaction differ greatly between the purchase price and the wealth in sight. In 1880 they put up a thirty stamp silver mill, one of the best on the coast, and for several years the most productive. Since it has turned out a million dollars' worth of silver a year, and has each year, not altogether from the Galena veins, but from ore worked as custom [illegible] from many rough ore mines, notably the Dickens, and all the [illegible] claims. It cost, they say, $[illegible],000, including freight, setting up, etc., and comprises a 100-horse power engine and boilers, eight pans, four settlers, thirty stamps and works thirty five tons daily.

The total product of the Custer mine is thought to have been three millions, and the ore supply shows little signs of diminution. These bare facts give no coherent ideas of the vast wealth of the two mines described. To get a comprehension of what they are, they must be visited, for it is beyond the power of figures or of the imagination to comprehend. Custer mine looks like. The view of the Custer mine is in some respects not less and more attractive than Niagara falls, or any other great natural object.

The Unknown mine lies up in the Custer hills, next to the great mine, and is owned by the same company. It shipped $[illegible],000 worth of ore in 1877-8, the average value per ton being $[illegible]. On the summit of Mount Custer is the Summit mine, a large deposit, which produces some ore worth $200 and over. The Badger produces from $ 0,000 to $40,000 per year, and is developed by fully a half mile of drifts. On Custer mountain there are, besides, the Centennial, Vishnu, General Miles, Annie, etc.

HOUNE ESTES,

Named from the discoverer of the first quartz vein located, is about six miles from Bonanza, at the head of Jordan creek, and contains a belt of very rich quartz ledges, on which are the Montana, Charles, Wahi (the first discovery), Hidden Treasure, etc.

The Montana, the principal location is worked by shaft down 500 feet or so, where the vein is four to twelve feet wide, half ore. The average assay is $150 per ton in gold and silver, gold predominating. Forty tons worked at the Custer mill averaged $[illegible] per ton, and 195 tons produced $[illegible],000. Ore shipped to Bay Horse, Salt Lake, Omaha, etc., has aggregated a quarter of a million dollars. The Whale mine is a very important claim, and has made several men rich. Its first shipment of forty tons to the Custer mill yielded $400 per ton.

The Hidden Treasure, Yankee Fork, Cynosure, Snow Bird, Pioneer, Omaha, Colorado, Tonto, Goldstone, Antelope, etc., have all produced more or rich less ore, and the most of them are being worked.

KINNIKINIK DISTRICT

Lies upon the creek of that name, a tributary of the Salmon, and is properly a part of Bay Horse district. It comprises a considerable number of locations, the principal ones being on the Ella vein, which is traceable for four miles. The walls are lime and the ore is carbonate of lead, carrying from $ 40 to $200, and sometimes containing as an impurity as high as 50 per cent. of iron. The pay streak averages two feet thick. The Overland, Pailhful Boy, Monitor and Ella are all on this vein. They are on Poverty Flat, four miles from the site of the Salmon River Smelting company's smelter at Clayton.

On Squaw creek, a few miles above Clayton, are some valuable claims which, like those of Bay Horse and Kinnikinik, are in limestone. So also are those of Garden creek at Challis.

The Josephus mine, of Daly, Robinson & Co., is said to have developed of late a very rich body of ore, sulphurets, chlorides, etc., that assays from $40 to 700 ounces. In the wonderful mineral region of Custer county the story is not at all incredible, and the Josephus may yet rival the great mines of Yankee Fork.

RICHES OF CUSTER COUNTY.

Speaking generally, Custer county is a region of inestimable wealth in minerals, as is the whole Salmon river country. Everybody knows the story of the rich placer discoveries, whence so much gold has been taken out. This gold undoubtedly came from the ledges of quartz along the stream and its tributaries, and this consideration set men to prospecting for lodes. They found them, and found generally a mixture of ores of gold and silver in veins throughout a country of wonderful extent and magnificent resources. Lemhi county upon the north, through which the Salmon flows, is geographically similar to Custer, and participates in the same immense treasures of gold and silver. The country is very elevated toward the south and east, the general altitude of the Bitter Root range on the east being about 10,000 feet, while the Sawtooth mountains in the south are not much less. Consequently the climate is very rigorous, with deep snow in winter.

Below Challis, in the Salmon river country, there are many mining districts of moderate importance in quartz mining, in a region which in former times was renowned for the extent and and richness of the placers. The best known districts where quartz veins are found are Warren's, Florence, Elk City, Meadow creek, etc., in Idaho county, in the most central part of the territory, and the more elevated districts which surround Salmon City in Lemhi county.

WARREN'S DISTRICT,

Warren's district, Idaho county, contains many quartz lodes, mostly narrow, seldom exceeding three feet, in a granite country, and the quartz carries gold, silver, blende, galena and antimony sulphide—all sparingly—and pyrite in larger quantity. Tellurium is said to exist there in combination with gold in the Keystone claim. Telluric silver (Hessite) is also reported. Scheelite, a rare mineral, the tungstate of lime, is reported in the Charity vein. The Little Giant quartz mine has been the leading producer, its ore yielding over $200 per ton. It occurs in a thin sheet upon the foot wall of the ledge. The mine lies a few rods from the water, and the stamp mine has a vein of from eight to thirty inches in thickness, which mills from $16 to $40 per ton. The Knott mine has been quite extensively worked. It is situated three miles west of Washington, and hauls the ore two miles to be crushed. It yields $15 per ton, and the vein is from one to six feet thick. A two-tab arrastre is used in connection with it. The Aiden vein is narrower, is well situated for working and yields from $5 to $17 per ton.

The Keystone has over 1000 feet of tunnels and cuts, the vein is narrow and the ore pays from $45 to $100 per ton, and is removed down to the water level. The Charity yields from $10 to $15 per ton, and has a tunnel over 1500 feet, with a five-stamp mill at its mouth. The President has a small vein of rock worth from $17 to $40. The Rescue has hoisting works capable of sinking 90 feet, and is considerably developed. It is supposed to have yielded nearly $100,000 in large quantities of rock paid from $40 to $75 per ton. The total amount of Rescue rock crushed has been over 1000 tons, and from all the claims about 4000 tons in the fifteen or six teen years since quartz production began in this district.

In Elk City district several quartz claims have been worked somewhat, and a mill has been put up, and in Florence district the Harpster & Little silver mine has been the scene of considerable exploring work. The vein is from two to four feet thick, and assays in spots from $150 to $[illegible] per ton in silver.

In Rich district, Idaho county, the quartz veins are from [illegible] to [illegible] feet wide, and assay in gold and silver. Specimens of the rock [illegible] ounces silver, and [illegible] per cent. lead. Gold is found in the gulches and gravels.

YELLOW JACKET DISTRICT

Is sixty miles west of Salmon City. Its quartz carries free gold assaying from $12 to $75 per ton. There are two great veins called the North American and South American, respectively, which run parallel and are traceable for two miles, with a breadth of forty or fifty feet each. A three-stamp mill is in use for crushing, and the rock pays $15 to $20 per ton, it is said. The Hoosier claim is said to average $70 per ton. The country rock is called porphyry, not being granite or limestone. Rocks of this doubtful description may well be called names porphyry, and the writer begs to propose the term as a designation for all rocks whose correct name is either not known or not reported. Perhaps by dint of ridicule the prospectors, who are an intelligent class and do not like to be laughed at, can in time be got to post themselves up in a branch of knowledge which belongs so closely to their craft as does that which treats of the names and kinds of rocks.

IRAIRIE BASIN

Is ten miles from the American mine and has, besides placers some quartz mines which carry both gold and silver. The Watch Tower, True Blue, Monument and Robtail are the principal locations. The Watch Tower has a ten foot vein in quartzite. The Monument crops out thirty feet high, is twelve feet wide, and assays $30 to $40 per ton. The True Blue shipped 40 tons which paid $[illegible] per ton.

Twenty miles north of Yellow Jacket is a large galena belt whose ore's assay 60 per cent. lead and forty to ninety ounces silver, but have received no attention on account of the inaccessibility of their situation.

There are a large number of gold quartz veins in the region inclosed by the middle and upper Salmon river, particularly along the creeks which drain into it from the Bitter Root mountains. The Freeman mine, near Salmon City, has a two foot vein which pays $30 per ton in gold in the stamp mill. Near by is a huge vein, the Silver Star, twelve feet wide, and with 50,000 tons of it in sight, $10 in gold, they say. The Washoe mine is near by, but richer. The Shoo Fly mine, on Moose creek, fifteen miles from Salmon City, has a vein of twelve feet, 100 tons of whose quartz paid $31 per ton. A five-stamp mill has produced from this claim $83,000 in gold. The El Dorado has a six foot vein which mills $[illegible]. There is a good twenty-stamp mill and wire tramway. The Kirby ore is fair.

NORTH FORK DISTRICT.

About [illegible] miles, forty miles northwest of Salmon City and still in Lemhi county is the North Fork district, also called Dahlonegah district. The quartz veins here are of generous width, three to nine feet, carrying free gold and sulphurets. The yield is from $20 to $[illegible] per ton. The principal locations are the Huron, Rose, Oulds, Sucker, Golden Circle, Eureka, etc., some of which have paid well. An English company purchased seven claims and consolidated them under one management, the price being $250,000 as reported. A ten-stamp mill, with chilian [illegible] works was put up, and in eighteen months the shipments of gold amounted to $[illegible],000. Mining, hauling and milling their rock usually aggregate $12 per ton, while the average product is $40. The district, as remarked by a correspondent, is a very promising one as it abounds in ore of a kind which can be cheaply reduced, and the product not being bulky can be cheaply transported.

MINERAL HILL

District is forty five miles from Salmon City, northwest. The principal mine is the Kentuck, on a seven foot vein, quartz, traceable for 4500 feet, and assaying $[illegible] to $1500 per ton, as reported. The mine is a very valuable one, is opened and worked by tunnels, and adjoins the Gruntner mine, whose rock assays similarly. A ten stamp mill, operated for sixty days on the quartz, kicked out enough to pay for mill and all other improvements.

DAHLONEGAH DISTRICT

Southeast of Salmon City, contains the Violin mine, at Nicholai, described as a vast vein of galena and carbonates, sixty feet wide, and carrying from 40 to 60 per cent. of lead, and from thirty to seventy ounces of silver. Twenty-five thousand tons per month have been shipped to Omaha, Kansas City and Denver, and it is estimated that the production has been over $300,000, with 60,000 tons of first-class ore in sight. A smelter is now in operation here.

SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT,

East of Salmon City, also contains deposits of

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galena and carbonates, which bear from 30 to 60 per cent. lead, and forty-five to 150 ounces of silver. A great many claims have been recorded, and the Spring Mining company has erected a thirty ton water jacket furnace, etc.

THE BAY HORSE MINES.

Bay Horse district lies in the bight of Salmon river, where it turns north among the Salmon River mountains, after receiving the waters of Yankee Fork and Kinnikinik. The country is very elevated and is rich in mineral. In the past thousands of locations have been made on its numerous ledges and a good deal has been worked. The Ramsborn ledge has been the scene of the most extensive and active work, and is still productive. This has been thought by practical "experts" the longest quartz vein in existence, being traceable, some say, for nearly 30 miles, with an average width of six feet. But the mere matter of length and thickness is completely dwarfed by two veins at least 100 feet of an average width of fifteen or twenty feet, and the Yank ledge of Southern Oregon, probably able for twenty miles, with a width of 200 feet. The country rock in which all these lodes occur is the formation apparently most favorable to the existence of numerous bodies of quartz. The ore in the Ramsborn carries silver, lead and iron. There are gray copper, dark silver and chloride. There are native silver, ruby silver and chloride. The deepest workings of the Ramsborn mine, the principal workings, are down 700 feet. The first year it was worked (1878) it shipped forty-eight tons to Salt Lake and received $37,000 therefor. In 1879 it shipped seventy-eight tons, which averaged 428 ounces silver. In 1880 it shipped 400 ounces. Bay Horse, near by, 500 tons, with an average from $100 to $500 per ton, and in 1881 200 tons, averaging 248 ounces. Working from ten to twenty men, it produced in four years about $400,000, and still retained a large lot of second grade ores to smelt when opportunity offered. By 1883 10,000 tons had been extracted from the Ramsborn, Utah Boy, Post Boy and Mountain Queen, yielding about 120 ounces silver per ton and 40 per cent. lead. The gross value would seem to be, in silver, $1,440,000, in lead (worth 2 cents per pound in unrefined condition) $960,000, total, $1,448,000 The mine is described as worked by a very rich company, who can afford expense in developing their property, having long since become certain of its value.

The Excelsior has a vein of seven feet, and sends to the smelter ores worth 100 ounces and 34 per cent. lead, at the rate of ten or fifteen tons daily. The Beardsley, three miles from the Ramsborn, is a contact vein between gray porphyry and limestone, and contains lead carbonates worth from $30 to $1000 dollars per ton. The ore bodies vary from four to thirteen feet wide. Fifty-three tons of ore produced 112 ounces per ton, and some shipments gave 68 ounces and 31 per cent. lead.

The Skylark is on a vein which yields from $50 to $500 in silver, averaging, in lots of 100 or 200 tons, $200 per ton.

The Riverview is near by and is likewise rich in valuable ores.

SMELTING ORES.

A great part of the ores of Bay Horse district, containing lead, it was obvious that their value could not be extracted by any other process than smelting and, though this process is not in the least adapted to a rough, comparatively inaccessible region, like the one in question, the attending circumstances are such as to have made smelting on the district peculiarly successful to the operator, and immensely profitable to the miners In 1880 the Bay Horse Silver Smelting company, an Omaha organization, built a very small plant in the center of the district, having one water jacket furnace of twenty tons nominal capacity, provided only with rock-breaker and blowers, and a fire-assay battery for milling ores which could be profitably worked so The power is furnished by the neighboring creek The whole apparatus cost $35,000. It ran thirty days and almost paid for itself, producing $40,000 worth of base bullion. Since then it has run a good part of the time and is running at present. The company has been very large and the investment profitable—in fact, that another company were induced to try their luck, and built in 1881 a rather more complete establishment near the mouth of Kinnikinik creek. Their capacity is thirty tons, but are arranged with reference to an increase to 100 tons daily. The former smelter, known as the Bay Horse, fell into the hands of the owners of the Ramsborn mine—Gilmer, Salisbury and Haggin—who added another stack of forty tons capacity and ran it themselves One hundred and twenty men are employed at the mine and smelter. The average cost of ore treatment is $15 per ton, mining and transportation, $10 per ton. There is a refining plant attached to the reduction works.

The company is buying all ores that often from other claims and are taking out large quantities from the Ramsborn. They began running this year about September 1, having a large reserve of ore on hand and their own great mine to draw more from. Under such circumstances one feels justified in proclaiming that for the Ramsborn company, at least, the uncertainties of milling have no terrors.

SEC. 4—OTHER DISTRICTS IN CENTRAL IDAHO

Sawtooth district lies north of Wood river, in the extreme headwaters of the South Boise and Salmon rivers. The region is very elevated, being among the high peaks of the Sawtooth range, over 8000 feet high, and is drained by numerous creeks, those on the south flowing into the Boise, those north into the Salmon.

THE COUNTRY ROCK

Of all this very elevated region is granite. The mineral veins are of very good size, well defined and massive, with prominent outcroppings. There is no doubt about the quantity of vein matter, and its quality is in places very high also. The ores are silver bearing, without much gold The silver is mainly in the condition of sulphides (argentite) and ruby silver, principally antimonial (pyrargyrite). Brittle silver ore (stephanite) comes next, and some argentiferous galena. Iron zinc blende is found. Such being the ores, antimony sulphide. - Such being the ores, it became clear to the miners that free smelting would not answer, for it is the case of sulphurous and antimonial compounds of silver, necessary to remove these substances which impair or prevent amalgamation. Roasting milling is the proper fire test. In the absence of galena, and if there are now two mills complete with roasting and chloridizing furnaces—one, the Vienna mill, on Columbia and Beaver mill, at Sawtooth, of ten stamps The latter was built in 1885, and the former in 1886. The Vienna mill, at Sawtooth, of twenty

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A FARMERS' APPEAL.

The property-holders of Oregon need not to be told that gross injustice prevails under our system of assessment and taxation. In theory our laws are designed to meet the constitutional requirement of "equal and uniform taxation," but they fall utterly to secure even an approach to equity under practices which seek justice through indulgence. The burdens of taxation are shifted about from one to another and finally fall chiefly upon honest men, while rogues escape. These facts are not new. They are alike well known to those who are compelled to pay more than their just due and to those who contrive to pay less than their just due.

But when it has been proposed to lessen the system and to enforce a rule which will make taxation at least approximately equal, the effort has been met by solid ignorance, prejudice and ignorance and in every instance it is known. When it has been proposed to strike from the statute book the law all wise exemption for indebtedness, and to levy all property "at the hands in whose possession it is found" by the assessor the only possible way to shut the door against fraud; there has been a popular cry of opposition. Rich men in Portland and elsewhere who make the exemption law the means of dodging taxation, of course oppose this reform, and, to make their opposition effective, they put it upon the specious ground that it is an "injustice to the debtor of small property." Debtors in the country, including the large number who have landed property and who are more or less in debt, seeing a certain tangible benefit in the exemption law and failing to see the greater advantage of the proposed reform, fall into line and join issue with the rich tax dodgers.

So selfish and dishonest on the one hand, and so deceived and mistaken on the other, are those who make popular sentiment that the task of reforming the laws eloquently has been given up as hopeless by those who have taken most interest in it. The commissioners appointed by the last legislature to draw up a complete system of assessment and taxation, and whose report, with a proposed new assessment law, is now in the hands of the governor, did not attempt to make a completely equitable system because they felt that such a system would stand no chance of enactment. They say this much in plain terms, in submitting a bill that goes but half way toward the reform which is demanded by equity. In this situation it is encouraging to find that in one part of the country, at least, this matter is looked upon in the practical spirit; and by members of the class most powerful in shaping legislation. The farmers of Sublimity and Lincoln precincts, in Marion county, held a meeting last Saturday at Aumsville to discuss this question, and decided to present the following petition to the legislature soon to meet:

In session assembled, we, the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of Marion county, state of Oregon, would respectfully petition your honorable body for a change in the constitution of the state of Oregon so as to give the legislature thereof full power to exempt all credits from assessments and taxation and allow the state and each county Gazette to obtain revenue from the taxation of all real and tangible personal property, railroads, insurance, express and kindred corporations, and banking and other corporate capital, allowing no deduction for indebtedness or exemptions. Such a system would simplify the listing and assessment of property, and remove the vexed question connected with deduction of indebtedness. It would prevent the great fraud now practiced on the taxpayers of the state of Oregon. We would recommend your honorable body to amend the present law of assessment and not allow any deduction for indebtedness. We ask your honorable body for the enactment of a law providing for the election of precinct assessors. We also petition your honorable body for the repeal of all laws exempting firemen and members of state militia companies from paying poll and road tax.

As to the wisdom of creating an assessor in every precinct we are not prepared to speak; but as to the main point these people are right. To disallow exemptions would, as they say, "prevent the great fraud now practiced on the taxpayers of Oregon." It is not too much to say that under the exemption law, and by the means which it affords, one-half of the money property of the state escapes taxation. It is a matter of common notoriety that of the rich men in Portland, Salem and elsewhere, not one in five pays his honest tax. The exemption law is the hole through which they escape. Of course, the burden which properly, hiding under the cloak of indebtedness escapes, falls upon the property which cannot be concealed, taking the form of an increased rate of assessment. If no exemptions were allowed and all property taxed against those in whose hands it is found by the assessor, the fiscal practices of the country would immediately adapt themselves to the change. Such a law, with regulations enforcing the rule of assessment at actual value, would be as nearly perfect as an assessment law could be made at this time.

KICKING THE DEAD LION.

In 1876 was published a life of Gen. Grant, written by "Charles A. Dana, late assistant secretary of war, and Gen. J. H. Wilson, U. S. A." Mr. Dana was then known to fame as a man of remarkable and varied ability. He had been a successful managing editor of the New York *Tribune*, under Greeley. Resigning this position, he had for several years devoted his resources of superior historical learning and literary scholarship to the preparation of the American Cyclopedia. In 1862 he became assistant secretary of war under Stanton; he visited Grant's army during the Vicksburg campaign; accompanied him to Chattanooga and witnessed that great victory; he enjoyed an intimate official acquaintance with Gen. Grant during the war and, up to 1868, when President Grant declined to appoint him collector of the port of New York, but offered him the appraisership, Mr. Dana was never weary of commending him to the gratitude of his countrymen as a true patriot, an upright man and a great soldier. In the preface of his life of Grant, which remains to-day the best military life, in a literary and historical point of view, that has yet been written, Mr. Dana describes him. In 1868, three years after the war, and five years after his first acquaintance with him as a man "not yet sufficiently esteemed for his heroic steadiness and courage, his transparent simplicity and honesty and his profound and disinterested wisdom." This preface is dated April, 1868, before Grant had been renominated for president May 21st of that year, and yet a year later we find Dana dedicating his great abilities through the New York *Sun* to the depreciation and abuse of Grant; and this abuse was lavished upon a man whom a year before he had described as a man "who never told a falsehood, never made a voluntary misrepresentation of a fact; a true friend, a magnanimous enemy, a soldier who was the first soldier of the century save Napoleon, who is to be ranked in the category of generals who never lost a campaign; whose judgment was in equilibrium with his courage." Dana also described Grant as a man of statesmanlike qualities, as proved by his conduct in the settlement of the Sherman-Johnston surrender, and in the discharge of his military-civic duties in the three years that followed the war. The closing sentence of Dana's life of Grant reads as follows: "His enlightened counsels, his actual services in regard to civil, social, legal and financial matters of unprecedented character and transcendent importance prove that he possesses abilities and attainments that entitle him to a place among the wise and prudent statesmen of the century."

This was Dana's estimate of Grant's military and civil quality after five years' personal acquaintance, from 1863 to 1868. And yet, from 1869, when Grant declined to make Dana, the editor of the *Sun*, collector of New York, Dana was his most able, malignant and artful enemy. He was his enemy through life, and he shares with Gen. Rosecrans the infamy of being the only man of consequence who has persisted in stabbing Grant after death. The most recent illustration of that long, deep, wolfish hate is the action of the *Sun* in the matter of the disputed bill of a Saratoga undertaker for services over Grant's remains. Grant died July 23, 1885. Dr. Douglas, without any authority from the family, called a Saratoga undertaker to the scene. In the meantime Col. Grant had telegraphed to New York for an undertaker, the Rev. Stephen Merritt. The Saratoga undertaker arrived first and did about four hours' work when Merritt arrived, when the Saratoga man retired from the case, but remained on the ground as a spectator, so drunk as to excite apprehension on the part of the family that he would create an unseemly scandal by his condition and appearance. Beyond these few hours of attention on July 23, 1885, the Saratoga undertaker did nothing professionally in the matter of caring for Grant's body. In due time the government paid Merritt his bill for his services and expenses, and no bill was rendered by the Saratoga undertaker, but on September 30, 1885, a Saratoga dispatch was conspicuously printed on the first page of the New York *Sun*, announcing that Col. F. D. Grant had failed to pay a bill of $300 presented by the Saratoga undertaker for services alleged to have been done from July 23 to July 30, 1885; and appended to this dispatch was a statement from the editor of the *Sun* offering to pay the amount if his claim. The Saratoga undertakers accepted the offer, and the *Sun* paid it without consultation with any member of the Grant family as to the honesty or propriety of the claim, despite the fact that the *Sun* had been written to by several parties, informing it that the claim was a fraud, and these letters and been suppressed. On October 1st, a very few days after these letters had been received, the *Sun* contemptuously published a statement showing that on October 8 Paul Dana, son of the editor, had paid the bill of Messrs. Holmes. This performance was a wholly malicious and unnecessary one. As Mr. Harrigan, the embalmer, said in a letter printed in the Albany *Press and Knickerbocker* on October 22: "That the editor of the *Sun* saw fit to pay a claim that the family of the deceased pronounced blackmailing in color and in no way meritorious is a matter in which the public has no concern; but the editor cannot plead that he was unaware of the facts of the case, as Prof. Sullivan and myself by letters notified him, and publication of our letters was refused.

The family of Gen. Grant naturally felt insulted and pained at the outrageous action of the *Sun*, and Col. Grant at once wrote to the editor of the *Sun*, stating that the matter was a painful one to Gen. Grant's widow, and showing the tastelessness of the claim made by the Saratoga undertakers. At the same time, however, the family was not willing that any one else should suffer even in paying a claim without merit, and so therefore inclosed Mrs. Grant's check for $300 to pay the amount. This check was returned by the *Sun*, with another ostentatious announcement by the editor. Thereupon Col. F. D. Grant wrote Mr. Paul Dana, inclosing an order for $300 upon the Lincoln bank, and stating that Mrs. Grant had directed the bank to set apart that sum and hold it for the payment of the order whenever presented, accompanied by the receipted bill of Holmes & Co. Paul Dana answered, refusing to accept the payment tendered, although he had interfered in the matter of a disputed account which it was no more his business to meddle with than a disputed bill for food and medicine furnished Gen. Grant while in life. The alleged claim, if litigated, could have been decently settled, save for the outrageous action of the *Sun*. Col. Grant would have promptly paid the bill had Mr. Merritt certified it as a reasonable charge, but Merritt refused to certify to a bill of $300 for a service of four hours for which $25 would have been a large charge. We have recited these facts not simply to show how the superior intellect, education and humane surroundings of Mr. Dana are held subject to personal vindictiveness that takes a savage delight in annoying and insulting Gen. Grant's widow after the old hero's death, but to inquire whether a respectable man or woman has any private rights that a newspaper is bound to respect. Suppose to-day two citizens of Portland go into court to settle the right or wrong of a disputed bill, what would be thought of a disinterested third party who would insist on paying the bill? A man who disputes a bill may be a rogue or he may be an honest, plucky man, who elects to go into court rather than submit to extortion. If he is an honest man he goes there not because he wants to evade the payment of a just debt, but because, having been sued, he wants to show that he was only resisting extortion and fraud, as every courageous, self-respecting man ought to do. The meddlesome third party pays the claim before it is litigated and robs an honest man of a chance to make a legitimate defense and secure a judicial judgment of his cause. This moral outrage is exactly what Dana has inflicted on the Grant family; he has paid an extortionate, blackmailing claim without allowing it to be litigated, and has added insult to injury by refusing to accept Mrs. Grant's check for the money he paid the bulldozing caimand, and so forces Mrs. Grant into the position of an involuntary debtor to the *Sun*. A more outrageous action was never committed in a small way. It was a great newspaper stabbing Grant's widow because of its inextinguishable hate for Grant. Its interference with the settlement of a disputed claim on the Grant estate was as outrageous as it would be to settle a disputed claim against the estate of Jones, Brown or Robinson without the approval or request of the family.

ROSE FROM THE CASE.

Erastus Brooks, the last survivor of the old school of New York journalism, died recently at West Brighton, Staten Island, aged 71 years. Brooks, like Greeley, Weed and Garrison, rose from the printer's case; he supported himself during a partial course at Brown university, working as a practical printer. For several years he was a Washington correspondent of the New York city press, and from 1839 to 1877 he and his brother, James Brooks, conducted the New York *Express*, which was a whig organ as long as there was any whig party. In 1860 he supported Bell and Everett, old conservative whigs, for president and vice-president. During the war he was, like most of the old Webster whigs, a copperhead, and in 1868 he was a delegate to the democratic convention which nominated Seymour and Blair as presidential ticket, and ever since has acted with the democratic party. The only notable event of his editorial career was his controversy with Archbishop Hughes relative to the limits to be set to the acquisition of church property by the Catholic church and the exemption of the property from taxation, he holding that as its title was vested in the priests it should be taxed when it reached beyond a certain value. The controversy, first carried on through the columns of the *Courier and Enquirer*, finally went into the state senate, of which Mr. Brooks was elected a member of the know-nothing or American party ticket in 1853, defeating Thomas Mundy, a prominent politician. The famous controversy, which attracted attention all over the world, was published in book form in 1855, in which year Mr. Brooks was again elected to the senate, under the title of "A Controversy on Church Property." The position he took led to his being nominated by the know-nothings as a candidate for governor in 1856, when he was defeated by John A. King.

Mr. Brooks was a delegate to the national convention of the American party at Philadelphia in February, 1856, which placed Millard Fillmore and A. J. Donelson in nomination for president and vice-president.

We hear of a bill to be offered in the next legislature to establish the valued policy system of insurance—that is, to compel insurance companies to pay on losses the full amount of the policies. Such a law was made in New Hampshire last year, and all the foreign companies doing business in the state withdrew their agencies. An insurance journal reports that the only companies now doing business in New Hampshire are home companies organized since the adoption of the valued policy system, with a doubtful basis of capital, which would be swamped if a series of great conflagrations destroying large amounts of property should occur. It is added as an interesting fact that the losses by fire have never been so small in New Hampshire as since the big, wealthy insurance companies ceased to do business in the state.

The shingle mills in Lewis county, W. T., are unable to meet the demand from the East. Car load orders have been turned away, and yet we are told that there is no chance to do anything in this country but raise wheat, lend money and sell goods.

The Northern Pacific Railroad company now has an opportunity to show its much-advertised friendship for Portland in the matter of making rates favorable to the reduction works in this city.

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Name of Stations.	Height of Bar.	Wind Direction.	Wind Velocity.	State of Weather.
Portland	29.73	SE	4	Cloudy
Roseburg	29.80	NE	0	Clear
Red Bluff	29.84	NE	0	Clear
San Francisco	29.92	NW	4	Cloudy
Carson	29.86	SW	6	Cloudy
Winnemucca	29.90	SW	6	Cloudy
Walla Walla	29.71	SE	4	Cloudy
Umatilla	29.77	SE	4	Cloudy

Local Observations.—Barometer corrected and reduced to sea level, 30.00 inches. Thermometer, 43. Minimum, 36. Rainfall in 24 hours, 0.15 inches.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

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Pair Buttons, Gold, Gent's.....1 00

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Pair Buttons, Gold, Ladies'.....1 00

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SIGNAL SERVICE WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 8, 6:49 P. M.

Stations.	Bar.	Ther.	Max.	Min.	Wind Dir.	Wind Vel.	State of Weather
Portland	30.13	47	48	47	S	11	Cloudy
Astoria	30.13	46	48	46	SW	.02	Fair
Cape Disappointment	30.13	46	48	46	S	.04	Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	30.13	46	48	46	S	.74	Lt Rn
Dungeness	30.13	46	48	46	S	.00	Clear
Port Townsend	30.13	46	48	46	SE	.00	Cloudy
Seattle	30.13	46	48	46	SW	.01	Cloudy
Walla Walla	30.13	45	48	45	SW	.01	Cloudy
Lewiston	30.13	47	48	47	S	.01	Lt Rn

Maximum, 48. minimum, 46.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 8, 7 P. M.—Indications for Oregon and Washington: For Oregon and Washington, continued warm, cloudy and rain.

NOTABLE PASSENGERS.

The Ilwaco is en route over the Northern Pacific to Ellensburg.

Mrs. R. E. Cook, A. A. Whitney, Bridgeport; Lewis Seig, Astoria.

Mrs. Dr. Cummins and five children, Mrs. M. O'Connors, and five children, Mrs. M. O'Connors, and five children, Mrs. M. O'Connors,

POLICE AND POLITICS.

Some Arguments in the Case of Selby Against the City.

Extracts from the Briefs of Opposing Counsel, Showing a Wide Range of Discussion in Questions of Law

A great many amusing incidents and humorous and extravagant statements occur in the argument of cases in our supreme court, as in every court of last resort, which the general public never hear anything of. A correspondent sends the following statement concerning the trial of the case of J. H. E. Selby against the city of Portland, which was decided yesterday in favor of the city, accompanied by several rich and racy extracts taken from the briefs of opposing counsel.

The case was an action brought by Selby against the city to recover the sum of about $15,000 from the city for the services of himself, J. H Lappeus, T. P Luther, D W Dobbins, F E. Cramer and A. Johnson, as policemen of the city of Portland. The city successfully defended in the court below on the ground that said parties had thrown down their stars abandoned the offices, acquiesced in their removal, and performed no services. The plaintiffs contended that they had not abandoned their offices, and never intended to acquiesce in their removal, and claimed that they had been put out by "mere strength and awkwardness," without any cause being assigned for their removal as required by subdivision 2, of sect on 72, of the city charter, and on this proposition appealed the case to the supreme court In one place plaintiffs' attorneys were arguing that it was not necessary for these officers to be constantly repeating their wrongs and clamoring in the ears of the authorities of the city to be placed on duty, and they say

"Such a spectacle in a civilized city would excel in magnificent folly the Pagan grandeur of a Chinese funeral, where the manifestations of grief for the deceased are personified in a hired female, who weeps and groans and bewails the untimely death of a royal celestial, and as she drags her limp form in her bare feet through the streets of the city immediately in the rear of the hearse, supported on either side by a mongo tan whose taste for the evangelical roast pig is intensified by the occasion, the cortege moves slowly on in the line of its march, and the impressive ceremonies of a heathen ritual are performed by the followers of Confucius, but the pageant is only completed when the melancholy music of the gobs and the melody of the Chinese chant have joined the grand diapason"

This description elicited the following reply from the city attorney

"But we are told that the plaintiffs were not required to be constantly repeating their wrongs and clamoring in the ears of the authorities of said city to be placed on duty, and their counsel seem to think such a spectacle would exceed in folly the Pagan grandeur of the Chinese funeral, etc, all of which we concede, but it is by no means manifest to unmaterial whether they did any duty or not. We submit, however, that their silence during the long period since their removal up to the commencement of the action, is very cogent evidence to sustain the defense of acquiescence and that if it was not for the roast pig of $16,000 which has served to intensify their zeal they would not now be clamoring in the court for leave to move on with the star decked procession which they tortured their backs upon so long ago

The counsel for plaintiff continue in another place as follows.

"The only serious part of this testimony absence from the city), which tended to prove that Mr Luther had gone out of the city to attend his father's funeral. This was the offense that grieved the city, that a police officer should go out of the jurisdiction of the city to pay his respects to his father *drive us a reel!* ! that grievance is not small as well as mean to trump up as the evidence of abandonment or acquiescence, we shall cease all speculation or attempt as far as to discover anything less and for anything to be meaner or more contemptible, we defy barbarians to produce it."

To which it was replied as follows.

"It is said that Luther went East after his removal to attend the funeral of his father There is no such evidence, and the father's funeral is like the Chinese funeral referred to, a matter of imagination. In fact the mind of the writer of their brief seems to have run on funerals as if he had just fasn in the case, and was consigning it to its proper place among dead and departed things

Again the city attorneys, making waste of a constitutional question involved, in the case, declared that

The framers of that constitution evidently intended to limit the right to hold office in this state for fixed terms or at the pleasure of the appointing power. They declared in effect that we were to have no aristocracy of office-holders here so that the highest officer in the state can only hold his office for a term of years at the expiration of which he is not come down and submit himself to the will of the people but a petty police officer under the charter of Portland can hold his office during his natural life unless some cause is found to reprove him and in that way find a justification of this iniquity by which $16 000 of the public money is to be taken from the treasury and turned over to those men who have been doing no service for the city during this long period

They have now reached the place where the people involved in the question of that very corrupt tuition which years ago they adopted to prevent such aggressions of official rapacity and plunder as this. Over the self-evident and pure and it will prove calm the storm, and the fraters of our constitution and become as they intended it should, a shield to protect the people against injustice and outrage

It was answered by plaintiff's attorneys that

A court without a record It is just what politicians and rascals want. It now becomes a judicial question whether politicians election contrivers and the riff raff of the city shall hereafter be able to make merchandise of city and police still cers whether the good government of a city of 40 000 people is of more value than the schemes of forty nine Though either is always odds Public plunderers who walk the streets with an air of self importance, contriving to despoil the city of good government and the people of the sacred right of the ballot franchise, these moral lepers are holding high carnival over the prospective result of this case and if no record is to be kept of their misdeeds, the avenues of ghostly treasury are open wide never to be closed until it is revealed and plundered of all that is valuable Let them alone and wipe out from judicial records the evidence and in fact of their iniquitous and foul and a picture of Dante's hell will be photographed on the walls of the city. Help them to conceal and secrete the damnable and accursed bargains, vile contracts and base promises, then infamous injuries anarchical conspiracies and theft deserving frauds by declaring the 2d subdivis on of section 72 of the charter unconstitutional and you will open the doors for the return of civil liberty and the grave dogs Hyenas and vandals may enter in one conspicuous herd defying all law, subverying and subs rubbing officials and trampling the laws of God and man beneath their feet in proud disdain"

As a sort of peroration the plaintiff's counsel fired the following at the court.

And now as a last appeal as a suppliant to him the name of well considered principles innocent and unperverted in an unbroken line of judicial decisions commencing at the early dawn of English history and coming down and sanctioned through each generation and passing the ordeal of investigation at the bar of the master minds of two nations as to all the mighty orders of eternal justice and it did that these opening lips shall now be closed or shaken Let it be recollected in this court that inferior and digested tribunals shall keep a record and that the jurisdictional facts shall appear on the face of that record and hereafter this board of police will be unable to corrupt the city government without exposing its infamy

Such a decision will sound the alarm in the subterranean caverns of the Portland custom house where secret conclaves meet to defeat the will of the people It will unhorse that expectant political hobgoblin, the fire department's new deal with old drees parade It will draw a line between it and ordinary branches of the city government so distinct that the existence of one will not depend upon the political influence of the other and will pull down the black flag that has been hoisted by traitor hands over the police headquarters It will solve the problem as to whether or not three men can rule or ruin half of three men

The harlot the syren and her votaries have been cast as rats of no mean importance in the political arena the swell and the mountebank the gambler and the confidence man stand in common ground shedowing the foot steps of honest toil the convict and the veteran onbuzzler the drunkard and the plug the scoundrel and them selves the special guardians of the city and they are the only ones who hold seats in the stock exchange where morality is a commodity that has no market value and where honesty is not called for in a single instance They hop into the ring as they take their places from the contaminating mass of filth deep deeply dripping with sin upon their foreheads in the presence of decency They meet you in the street corners and in a voice of assurance and a manner of consummate impudence they would say to you a certain man is my friend for he is a politician you are on the buy and assure that you understand that they are on the sell and that you have a good and made gamble title These moral wrecks go to-day in the city market with a bold we and during that challenges the dent most of every decent Moderation decency fairness and purity are driven from official circles and the little band of conspirators who deserve the reproach on of honest and civilized communities

Who is to gain by your decision upholding the law? The city will be rescued from degradation and helpless insolvency"

To which it was responded as follows

Finally, by an appeal which reaches the climax of absurdity, we are told that it is the politicians they are after, and all their efforts are for the benefit of and in the interest of honest government and to protect the people against dishonesty and wrong, etc Such canting generally comes from those whose brief connection with municipal affairs has served to create an appetite which they have never since been able to gratify. It is a peculiar kind of virtue that can hold up its hands in such horror and yet would calmly put its hand into the public treasury and take dollars of the people's money and turn it over to those idlers who have nothing to do but constantly perpetrate a carica ture of service for the offe during all these years. Such justice should never be contemplated with ridicule and scorn such perfidity, however strongly urged in her name. It would be like a tear-eyed monster feeding upon a lamb and posing about superior honor and virtue while he yet bore on his guilty pelt the blood of innocence to permit these ex officials to rob and plunder the people of this large sum of money while proclaiming their own great goodness and political purity.

The plaintiff and his assignors have been there themselves and probably know how "the chariot the eyes and her charms" are worked in the political arena, and doubtless know whereof they speak when they assert that "moderation decency, fairness and honesty are driven from official circles."

Yet it seems to us a fair share of that same article of "moderation would forbid them from pressing a claim, the mere assertion of which should bring the flush of shame to the cheeks of men possessed of a very high degree of decency, fairness and honesty."

These extracts must suffice to show how fierce the contentions of opposing counsel sometimes become, and over what a wide range they travel in the discussion of questions of law, especially when there is mingled therein a touch of politics.

SALEM NOTES.

SALEM, Dec 8

Mrs J M. Scott and Miss Myra Scott, of Portland, are the guests in this city of Mrs E M Pianondon

The regular webfoot weather has once more set in, the rain last night coming down in regular Oregon style.

Miss Mamie Parvin will entertain her friends with a gypsy party at her home on Piety Hill, on Wednesday evening next.

F H. Bryant and Miss Nellie Osborne of this county were married in this city on Saturday last, Rev. M. C Wire officiating

The new city council will take its seat on the 1st of January, 1887 It now consists of four republicans, four democrats and a democratic mayor.

Mr. E B Piper has been selected as one of the reporters on the *Daily Statesman* Legislature Manning being compelled to devote his entire attention to their mammoth New Year's edition

Olive Lodge No 18, I O O F., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year Wm Dumars, N G, Frank H Allsion, V G W J. Clarke, R. S, W. G Westacott, P S John Moir, Treasurer.

Miss Mae Carpenter entertained a number of friends last evening, the gathering taking place in honor of her friend, Miss Addie Sparrow, of Victoria, B. C. It was as a matter of course a very pleasant affair throughout

Hon George W Webb, state treasurer elect, with his wife and daughter, have arrived in Salem, and for the present will stop with Hon A. F Wheeler's family, having leased their elegant little home on Commercial street.

Silverton Lodge No. 21, I O O. F., has elected the following officers for the ensuing term D W. Yoder, N. G, E L Smith, V. G H G Guild, R. S., M. J. Adams, P. S M. Fitzgerald, treasurer, E. C. Small, A. F. Blackerby and W S Kline, trustees.

The annual election of officers of the Marion County Bible society has just resulted as follows O. Dickinson president, J M. Martin secretary, A. T. Yeaton treasurer, J. H. Koork, depositary. Executive committee—J. F. Staiger, George Johnson and R. S Wallace.

Miss Jessie Washburne, one of the attendants at the Oregon Insane asylum, will this evening entertain a number of her friends, who will thus pay their farewell respects to Mr J. E Yates, who leaves the institution to accept a position in the Idaho asylum, under Dr. J. W Giverns.

Mrs Taylor Chambers arrived home from her visit to Quincy, Ill., on Monday last, accompanied by Miss Mary Chambers. The ladies were unfortunate enough to be on one of the trains that collided in Dakota and lost all their baggage, which was burned in the baggage car attached to their train.

Col. W. A. Thomas, United States Indian inspector, leaves here to-day after a week's sojourn in this city, and expresses himself highly pleased, during which time he has been entertained by Hon A. Bush, Col. N B. Knight and other leading citizens. Accompanied by Col. John Lee, superintendent of the United States Indian training school, he will proceed to Forest Grove to-morrow to appraise and arrange for the immediate sale of the United States property in that city where the school was formerly located.

Mrs T. McF Patton, of this city, died yesterday afternoon, after a long and painful illness, which was borne with remarkable patience and Christian fortitude She was a lady very highly esteemed by all who knew her kind, generous and thoughtful of the welfare of others, she lived as she died, the true embodiment of a true womanhood She leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss, while a large circle of friends, neighbors and acquaintances will miss her kindly counsel and mourn with those who mourn most keenly her early death The funeral will take place to-morrow (Thursday) at 10 o clock A m

J F Morley, more familiarly known as "Our Junibo," has made himself more solid than ever by entering a restaurant, and while his little club beating Fred Miller unmercifully about the head and shoulders, for which piece of playful ness on his part he was yanked up before Justice Rape, and placed under $1000 bonds to await the action of the grand jury. Julian H Albert and R S Wallace went on his bonds, and he still sports his star, while a few enthusiastic admirers have presented him with a meerschaum cigar holder as a slight testimonial of their faith in him He is now under $10 bonds for offenses of various kind, with ample time to consult others before the next grand jury convenes Next.

OLYMPIA NOTES

OLYMPIA, W T, Dec

The Carlton House has been crowded from the garret to the cellar during the past few days

A grand masquerade ball is announced to take place on New Year's eve under the auspices of the Potlatch club Music by Prof Vaughn's band

Court convened in this city on Monday morning before Hon John P Hoyt. Many of the legal fraternity from Seattle and Tacoma are present The term, however, will probably not be a long one

The steamer Fleetwood, Captain George D Messegee, has commenced making regular daily trips between this city and Seattle, making this place her headquarters She made the run from this to Seattle, passenger Stellacoom, to this city yesterday in seventy minutes.

A notice was inserted in the *Partisan* of this place a few days ago, asking for information regarding "notter's clay" in this county The information was sought for the benefit of a gentleman who owns large pottery works in Texas who is anxious to establish a manufactory in this territory. Quite a number of persons have already answered the inquiry, and there seems to be no doubt but that pure potter's clay can be obtained near this city in large quantities, and samples will be immediately forwarded for test, the result of which will be reported in due time to THE OREGONIAN

This city will be favored on Friday evening, the 17th inst, with a first class elocutionary entertainment by Miss Rosa Stanton of Tacoma, whose ability as an elocutionist is rapidly becoming known in this territory Being young and having an attractive appearance, combined with a fine toned and well m lulated voice Miss Stanton is sure to become a general favorite, more especially with those of an old school turn of mind As the young lady may visit Portland during her tour, it is to be hoped she may there meet with the success she deserves

TOLEDO BOILS

TOLEDO W T, Dec 8

It is the rain we sing have eight inches on and here we found it not This fact is up, the water is deep, and the boat come regular twice a week, which fact is appreciated by the farmers, who are filling the warehouse with grain for shipment

For a timber country this region has produced a large amount of grain and produce this year, but the coming year promises to exceed it, as general advantage has been taken of the dry fall to sow old fields and clear up new ones

Over 60 000 bushels of oats and wheat and an immense quantity of hay was harvested in the valley tributary to this point the past summer, which of itself will make a heavy business for a light draf steamer, and ought to be a sufficient inducement for some company to put one on Hellogg & Co have the steamer Vicket running here, promise to build a boat for the upper river the coming summer, and it is hoped they will not forget their promise

Two families left here this morning for California They came from Texas only a short time since, but think it a country too slow for them, and complain that they were induced to come here by misrepresentation I will say right here that this is no place for any man who depends on day's wages for a living nor for any one with any means unless they are willing to suffer some privations to get a home, and I find among other country, anything here worth having is worth paying for

Shingle makers looking for a location can do no better than right here at Toledo, on either side of the river Timber is plenty and of fine quality, and can be had cheap

In short the territory had to depend on THE OREGONIAN for the official election returns, and that paper will please notice that the *Pilot* gave proper credit when it republished them.

There is something wrong with the mails, as at least once a week and sometimes twice, THE DAILY OREGONIAN is a day late. COWLITZ.

ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS.

A Brief Sketch of a Well-Known and Excellent Writer

The Beginning of her Career—Her Summer and Winter Home—Her Books, her Aims and Art.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, the author of the charming serial story in the last issue of THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN, more than any other American writer, combines, in a notable degree, the imagination of a poet, the artistic and dramatic sense of a true story-writer, and a broad philosophic cast of mind, which gives the fiction sincerity and truth. There is no living writer of wider and livelier sympathies. Her stories, though absorbing and entertaining, always have a purifying and strengthening effect upon the mind of the reader These things make her one of the most loved and most read of our writers.

The announcement therefore that on November 28, a serial story by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps will begin in these columns, will be warmly welcomed by our readers, and this brief outline of her life and work, will, no doubt, be read with great interest

She was born August 31, 1811, in Boston, during her father's six years pastorate in that city in her fourth May she was removed to Andover, Mass on her father's taking a professorship in the theological seminary there, and Andover has been their home since She was christened Mary Gray for an intimate friend of her mother's, but on her mother's death, which happened when the child was 8 years old, the name of Elizabeth Stuart was given to her instead

Her mother, Elizabeth Stuart, was the eldest daughter of Moses Stuart, one of the bright lights of the seminary in the days when Andover was the main center of intellectual and theological life in Massachusetts Professor Stuart was known as a man of moods and variable power, but of exceptional fascination and brilliancy His daughter, Elizabeth, inherited the literary gift from him, and, though in a style subdued to the tone of the surrounding atmosphere, she wrote several charming stories, largely read at the time.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps was the eldest of three children, and the only daughter In her the story-telling faculty was early indicated in a marked way She spun amazing yarns for the children she played with, while dolls were still in the ascendant. The first thing she printed was a story in the *Youth's Companion* She was then 13 As a girl she attended the school of Mrs Prof. Edwards, where her bent was toward rhetorical and philosophical stories In the spring of 1864 she sent a war story, called a "Sacrifice Consumed," to *Harper's Magazine* The editor returned her a generous check for it, with the request that she should write for them again. "*Harper's* never refused a story of mine in all my life," she says, "with one single exception—that not when I was a beginner To this uniform encouragement I attribute more than to any other one thing what literary success I afterwards had"

At twenty years of age the plan of "Gates Ajar" began to form itself in her mind She was busy in writing this book for two years. It lay for two years in the publisher's hands, and came out in 1868. Although the first, it is the best known of all her books. It reached in this country a circulation of about 100,000 copies and had a very large English sale. It has been reprinted in Scotland and translated into German, French, Dutch and Italian. Most of the successive books by the same hand have been thus reprinted and translated. A friend of Miss Phelps, traveling a few years ago, was introduced to an officer of rank in the Prussian court, and Miss Phelps's name being mentioned, he said "Ah, that book, 'The Gates Ajar,' I understand it has made more Christians than all the preachers."

In the autumn of 1877 a venture full of interest absorbed Miss Phelps's thought and strength —the delivery of a course of lectures on "Representative Modern Fiction" before the Boston university It was the first thing of the sort ever attempted by a woman in this part of the world. Her power over the audience is said to have been remarkable While her voice in conversation is singularly low and sweet, some peculiar penetrative quality made it audible without the slightest effort for the listener in every part of a large hall. The audience was of students of both sexes and different ages, from various departments of the university. At the close of every lecture, says one present, "they would gather round her, and it seemed as if they would discover her, following her as far as possible when she went away. Something in her face seemed to ask more for love than praise. To them it seemed as if a new and kentler Hypatia had come to speak a sweeter sort of wisdom Mr Whittier says of them

They were admirable in manner and matter I never heard a woman speak with such magnetic power"

In the same autumn of her work at the Boston university, The Story of Avis came out which added to her fame Eight years ago Miss Phelps built a little cottage for a summer home on the rocks of East Isant at the side of Plum Island harbor There is hardly a more rude, desolate place. One forgets all but the pictures made by the waves as they could be seen through the little oval bow of their sister at the cottage. A mile away across the sheltering rim of land the narrow strip that curves around to harbor mouth the breakers make a line in solid motion, the sandy shore of the caves that fall by one at other cut to the extreme point of the cape "Sealed Orders" a collection of shorts or serials published not long ago, Avis, the two Sallies stories of whither storms in the sea bound and harbor and the cruel struggles of the fishermen for scanty wages and profits have called The Story of Avis is one of the best sketches in the collection The best American short story No sooner was Miss Phelps summer home planted on the Gulf of Mexico than the same inspiration on Eastern Point added to the hard list of the hermit's qualities, and through her efforts a reform club of fifty five members was sustained there A free library of 1000 volumes was established, opened with pictures and music addresses were delivered and sermons preached to the men but her great contribution was a deeper and more lasting one. She made herself the friend of every one to whom they came to her house with their hopes and their trials, their temptations and troubles She met words of sympathy and anxiety with literary endeavors for some, caused the stories of lighthouses to be written for others, and for still others gives way and she has not yet physically recovered Miss Phelps still makes Andover her winter home Her winter study is in the summer house of her father's garden, with windows look out on a low ridge and behind towards the west across to the brows of Winchester

"THE HOLY WAR"

Statement from the Rev Wm H Gross Catholic Archbishop of Oregon

ST PAUL, Marion county Dec

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN

In a communication printed in yesterday's Citizen, and entitled the "The Holy War," I am accused of misstating the words of Col Parsons I respectfully request, therefore, the privilege of your columns for a brief explanation When President Cleveland's administration paroled out the Indian agencies to the different denominations, the religious training of the Umatilla reservation was given to the Catholic church For years there has been a Catholic school there which all the republican administrations have respected It was natural that the Catholics should desire to have a Catholic appointed as the Indian agent When President Cleveland was inaugurated, quite a number of Catholic democrats applied for the position Among them was B Coffey I was requested to recommend B Coffey for the office by several priests of the diocese I did so, for I had just arrived in Oregon and did not know B Coffey I knew him now Of course Archbishop Seghers and the other priests, among whom the most active was Rev L. Conrardy, urged his appointment, with the supposition that they were thus securing a very excellent friend for the Rev F DeLatte and the best welfare of the school But Coffey proved himself Rev L Conrardy B Coffey most badly and most frequently protested to me and to other clergy that he would run the best friend of the Catholic school and the sisters and the priests at Umatilla He was ardently desirous of promoting our Catholic religion in fact he might do so to a certain extent, for the post of Indian work was his main future in school or the office I told B Coffey to let me know if anything went wrong, or if there was any misconduct on the part of the sisters or the priests Every one knows, Catholics especially, that it is one of the duties of the bishop to watch over the behavior of priests and sisters, and that he has ample power to punish and correct any misdemeanors on their part Last June B Coffey struck from the roll two of the sisters' names and substituted his daughter's name and another one of his creatures He did this without bringing any charge whatever against the two sisters whom he displaced, without giving them any opportunity whatever of defending themselves, without a moment's warning, without even their knowledge of his action. So acted the great champion of the sisters and their school, B. Coffey.

I went to Umatilla toward the end of last August. I asked B. Coffey if he had indeed stricken off the names of two of the sisters and appointed his daughter and another female instead. He said that he had done so. I then asked him why he had done so. He replied that he wanted the money He did not consider the salary which he drew as Indian agent as paying him sufficiently So did B Coffey show his disinterested zeal for the sisters I remonstrated with him and after considerable hesitation, he promised to reinstate the two sisters, and thus yield up the salary which he so coveted for his daughter I spent several days at Umatilla I told B Coffey to let me know of any charges whatever that he had to make He did so. I called the superioress and another sister and Rev F De Latte, the superintendent of the school, and Rev L. Conrardy to meet B Coffey in my presence. I opened the meeting by stating that each knew that I was the friend of them all, that I wanted nothing but the welfare of the Catholic agent as well as of the sisters and priests Every Catholic knows that it is the duty of the bishop to correct the clergy as well as the laity I told B Coffey to state there in all candor all the charges that he had made to me privately, and whatever else he might desire. He made no charge against either of the priests Some misunderstanding had taken place between the sisters and some of Coffey's employes All these misunderstandings were amicably settled there and then. To prevent any future misunderstandings, I ordered the sisters to make all their transactions with the agent and his officers through Rev F. De Latte who was the head of the school I told the Rev Sister Superioress to give such sisters to the agent for teaching in the school as would be satisfactory She did so, and Coffey told me that he was satisfied with the sisters named I thought then that all was harmony and peace But before I left the reservation B Coffey and his wife and daughter came over to the room which I occupied They fell on their knees before me and with tears in their eyes expressed their deep grief at any misunderstanding and unpleasantness which may have occurred He protested once more his ardent desire to promote the welfare of the sisters' school, etc., etc. I told them to be united I assured them that neither was no troubles of any consequence I believed B. Coffey's intentions to be pure and honorable I charged Coffey again always to let me know of any faults either in the priests or sisters and that I would correct them. I presented Coffey and his wife and daughter each with a little picture, which they accepted. I then returned to Portland

I heard nothing more from Umatilla until a letter came to me from Rev F DeLatte, informing me that he was deposed from his position in the school I afterwards learned that two of the sisters were also deprived of their positions on the charge of incompetency Certain gentlemen, who, of course, knew that B. Coffey has the authority to put in office whom he pleases for the school, advised the rest of the sisters, for the sake of their reputation, to resign, which they did Rev F De Latte informed me that the other commissioner had discharged him from his office on the ground that there were too many teachers and that his services were not required. Col. Parsons told me that Rev. De Latte was discharged because when the other commissioner came to the school he found that the sisters who were on the roll as teachers were in Pendleton and not at Umatilla. How far that was true I am not able to say. But, as Col. Parsons stated, the sisters had the permission of the agent (which I told them always to ask) I asked Col. Parsons why the sisters, and much less Rev. F. De Latte, had been expelled from office. But now I see that Col. Parsons accuses Rev F De Latte of being "negligent, lazy and shiftless In his interview with me he made no such charge. And I deny this shameful accusation by a commissioner who has given but a pop call into Umatilla, made by him and unsupported, against a worthy priest of this diocese. When Col. Parsons mentions Miss Page, a member of the Walla Walla band of Indians, as "immensely the superior of Rev. F. De Latte in every respect," and calls "Moses Minthorn a full-blooded Cayuse Indian," "a decided improvement on the sister who had charge of the boys before," I deny it completely And it will take more than the assertion of one who is even a United States commissioner and a colonel to make the public believe it.

I sought an interview with the United States commissioners after their return from Umatilla. I succeeded in obtaining one with Col. Parsons. Col Parsons says that he had supposed that the interview was of a private and confidential nature I do not know how he could have come to such an idea. He is a public officer, and so am I The subject matter for our interview was intensely interesting to the public. The entire subject was already public there was no privacy on the subject. Everybody was talking of it I asked Col Parsons that if there were so many charges against the priests and sisters, how came it that B Coffey had never breathed a word of it to me, as he was in duty bound as a gentleman and a Catholic? Was Coffey failing in his sacred marriage pledges to the Catholic clergy and people that he would do all in his power for the sisters? Could he not, instead of accusing them to the commissioners, have told the commissioners that what he thought wrong they would find a remedy in the bishop? How came it that Coffey told me that all was lovely and serene that he had no charge to make, and a few weeks after flung all these grave charges against the priests and sisters Coffey, the boasted champion of the priests and sisters This question has not been answered in the articles "The Holy War," and the only answer to it in our interview was that Coffey "is a crank"

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But we have now a school where no religion is taught. Have the commissioners the authority from President Cleveland to change the schools of the Presbyterians, Methodists and other Protestants into undenominational schools? Surely the people of Oregon know that the Indians should be trained in chastity, honesty and other Christian morality, and they believe that this can be best done by bringing the Indian youth under Christian influence President Cleveland's commissioners attempt to turn the various Protestant schools among the Indians into undenominational schools and drive off the minister, and what will follow But we Catholics are supposed to put up with anything And when our long-established school is turned into an undenominational one, which is not to religion and yet the use to be heard by our Catholic Indian children, and the priest Rev F De Latte, is expelled, and "the member of the Walla Walla band of Indians, as "immensely the superior of Rev. F. De Latte in every respect," and calls "Moses Minthorn a full-blooded Cayuse Indian," "a decided improvement on the sister who had charge of the boys before," I deny it completely And it will take more than the assertion of one who is even a United States commissioner and a colonel to make the public believe it.

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COMMERCIAL.

PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY Dec. 8

Flour—Receipts include 211 bbls 4 bxs chair [illegible] 1,000 lbs stoves and sundries 25 packages dry goods, 5 cs oil clothing, 7 bbls 2 cs yarn, 5 bbls coffee, 2 bbls 1 cs glassware, 5 cs cigars, 6 cs [illegible] 3 cs cigarettes, 5 cs cigars 6 [illegible] 2 bbls whisky 45 [illegible] 2 bbls 1 cs ep goods 1 cs [illegible] 2 bbls 1 cs ep goods 1 cs [illegible] 2 bbls 1 cs ep goods 1 cs

THE MORAN MURDER TRIAL.

The Case Given to the Jury Late Last Night.

Very Little Evidence Introduced that was not Given at the Trial of Kelly for the Same Crime.

The trial of Dan Moran for the murder of Frederick Kalasuha was continued in department No. 2, state circuit court, yesterday. With the exception of medical experts called by the defense, and witnesses as to the confession made by Dan Moran at the city jail and also during the writ of habeas corpus proceedings for Kelly's release, the evidence was the same as submitted in the Kelly trial, with a slight difference in the cross-examination and points of law made by defendant's counsel.

The first witness called, was James Casey, who on being sworn testified: "I took a drink with the carpenter in Kelly's saloon at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the 7th of July last. Saw him again after supper, when he walked into the house and lay down on the sofa. Next morning found him under the influence of a dope and sent for Dr. Parker. During the night Moran told me where the carpenter's coat could be found next morning when wanted to go aboard the ship. Saw the carpenter at the morgue after his death."

On cross-examination Casey said: "I went to Kelly's saloon because I saw a crowd going there, and the carpenter invited me to take a drink. He must have drank a good deal on that day. He was always drinking. Can't tell whether Moran drank much that day. He always drank more or less."

JAMES TURK

Testified: "Saw Kalasuha on the afternoon of July 7 about 4 o'clock, walking up street with Moran; asked Moran where he was going, to which he replied: "Am going up town to fix this fellow off." Next saw Kalasuha in company and with Moran, O'Brien and two or three more going into Kelly's saloon on First and S streets; about 7 o'clock that evening saw him sitting in front of my house near my wife, when he said that Kelly had robbed him of $5. He then went into the house and threw himself on the sofa and went to sleep."

MRS. CATHERINE TURK

Testified: "Knew the carpenter. On the evening of the 7th of July he and I were sitting in front of my door, when he told me that Kelly had robbed him of $5; Moran was not present when he said that; he said that both Kelly and Moran had robbed him of the money."

DR. SCOLLAY PARKER

Was next sworn: "Have been a resident of this city about a year and a half."

District attorney: "Did you prepare a solution of morphine about the latter part of June?"

Mr. Chamberlin: "Don't you answer that question. If the court please, I think the question irrelevant. I object to an answer unless the prosecution can prove a conspiracy between the defendant and Kelly."

The district attorney assured counsel for defense that he would do so before he got through. The defense, however, did not feel satisfied and a little cross-firing ensued, until the court grew a bit impatient and remarked that the district attorney had promised to prove a conspiracy, and Judge Stearns ordered the witness to answer.

Dr. Parker: "I made a preparation or solution of morphine on June 29 for Dr. Keyes. Put up morphine for him before. Saw James Casey at 5:30 o'clock in the morning of the 8th of July last. He wanted me to go to Turk's house where, he said, a man was dying. Declined to go because I was not practicing. He said: 'For God's sake, do come' and for pity's sake I went. Saw the man lying on a sofa; shook him and raised his head, but it fell back like a dead man's; the muscles were all relaxed. I said: 'This man has been doped; he is dying from opium poison.' Told Turk to send for another physician, as I was not engaged in practice." The rest of the witness's evidence was materially the same as that which he gave in the Kelly trial.

DR. RAND

Testified to being called to attend on Kalasuha on the morning after Dr. Parker had attended him; that atropia was administered and that Kalasuha died from the effects of opium poisoning or its alkaloids. The usual cross-examination as to Kalasuha's appearance and the proper antidote to administer in a case of opium poisoning.

CHIEF OF POLICE S. B. PARRISH

Testified that Moran confessed to him that Kalasuha complained of losing $5 in Kelly's place, and Moran, Kalasuha and several others returned to the saloon. It was then that Kelly remarked that he would "fix him" and after Kalasuha called for soda water Kelly took a bottle from under the counter and poured some of it into the glass, also the soda water, put some sugar in, stirred it up and told Kalasuha to drink it up quick.

C. J. CHRISTIE

Testified to Moran's statement at the hearing for a writ of habeas corpus, during which the defendant testified that he and the murdered man went into Kelly's saloon; while there he saw Kelly reach down behind the bar and pour something out of a little bottle into a glass. He (Kelly) then placed the glass on the counter, put a little sugar in it and told the carpenter to drink it quick. As they were about leaving the saloon, Kelly reached over to Moran and said: "I fixed him; he won't bother you any more to-night." Then he (Moran) and the carpenter went to Turk's house. A. M. Brown then testified to a little conversation between himself and Moran when he was taken back to his cell after his arraignment for murder, at which time Moran asked: "They can't do anything to me for seeing a man put poison in a glass, can they?"

W. M. LADD, FOREMAN OF GRAND JURY,

Testified: When Moran was brought into the grand jury room, I explained to him the position an accused person occupied before a grand jury. He then asked, "If I'll turn state's evidence and tell you all I know of the cause of the carpenter's death, will you give me your word of honor I'll not be prosecuted?" To which I replied in the affirmative. In the course of his testimony he swore that, while in Kelly's saloon, he stood at the end of the counter where he could see what officers couldn't, namely, Kelly put the poison in the glass, and then they took their drinks. He took some money from the carpenter for safe keeping. I told him that I could not promise him immunity against punishment, but promised that we would not bring any charge against him, providing he gave the same testimony in the court above to which he swore in the grand jury room.

Mr. Ladd's testimony as to Moran's confession was more complete than any of the others. Among other things, he stated that Moran said after their return to Kelly's he and Kalasuha took sick at the stomach from the effects of excessive drinking and went to the edge of the sidewalk and vomited. It was on their re-entering the saloon that the morphine was put in the glass. After Kalasuha had drank the contents of the glass, and while Moran and Kelly were standing at the end of the counter, Kelly whispered to Moran and said, "I think I have given him too much; but never mind, the s—— b—— can stand it."

T. C. POWELL

Testified that on bringing Moran up for arraignment before Judges Stearns Moran asked, "Can they charge a man with murder when he only saw another man do it?"

A. M. BROWN

Was called to corroborate Mr. Powell. It also came out that Moran asked what he was to be tried for and was told that it was for murder.

THE DEFENSE.

The prosecution here rested their case and the attorneys for the defense then made a motion for a non-suit and discharge of Moran on the ground that the indictment should have stated and didn't, the acts and circumstances by which Moran is made a principal in this crime, as at best he was only an accessory. The motion was overruled and the defense called H. Laidlaw, who testified how much the captain of the ship thought of Kalasuha and his wishing to sail at 8 o'clock A. M.

Dr. W. H. Watkins and A. C. Panton were called as medical experts.

Thomas Linehan and Steve Winters, witnesses in the Kelly trial, were called to testify as before that Kelly put medicine for them for dumb agne. Their testimony was an endeavor on the part of the defense, and was in the other case, to prove that it was for this Dr. Keyes procured the solution of morphine from Dr. Parker.

Dr. Mackenzie was next called and testified that he couldn't tell from the post-mortem examination what Kalasuha died from, but could tell he didn't die from natural causes. He might suspect he died of opium poisoning. On cross-examination District Attorney Mellen referred to Kalasuha's appearance on the sofa at Turk's as testified to, and asked if from the description given there wasn't an indication of opium smoking. Witness answered that he should suppose that there was, and that atropia was a proper antidote for opium poisoning.

EVENING SESSION.

Dr. A. D. Bevan was recalled by the prosecution as a medical expert. Defendant's attorneys objected to the evidence sought to be introduced, and he was excused. The case was then closed, and the argument of counsel commenced. District Attorney Mellen opened, and was followed by R. W. Morrow and F. D. Chamberlain in an able effort on behalf of Moran. The district attorney then made his closing address, which was listened to with rapt attention. He reviewed all the circumstances connected with the case most fully, and scored Kelly as well as Moran.

At 11 o'clock Judge Stearns delivered his charge, and the jury retired for deliberation.

Moran's counsel requested the court to instruct the jury that if they found the poison had not been administered by Moran himself, to return a verdict of not guilty. Judge Stearns refused to give such instructions, and an exception was taken.

BULL RUN WATER.

Will the Water Works Purchase Prevent Bringing it in?

Views of the Committee—The Legislature to be Asked for Authority to Issue $300,000 More Bonds.

Yesterday an OREGONIAN reporter questioned a prominent member of the water committee as to what effect the purchase of the water company's property, if consummated, would have upon the construction of the pipe line from Bull Run to Portland.

"None, at all," was the answer. "The work will go ahead just as if we were not in possession of the water works. Of course, you know that $700,000 is not enough to build the line and lay distribution pipes. THE OREGONIAN published the figures last August, the day after the first meeting to which reporters were admitted, and it may be a good idea to republish them for public information. We will have to ask the next legislature for authority to issue bonds to the amount of $300,000 more. This will enable us to build the pipe line and the reservoir, and lay such additional distribution pipes as are necessary. I have no doubt that the legislature will grant the authority asked."

"Suppose the legislature refuses, what then?" queried the reporter.

"There will be nothing for us to do, except to supply water from the Willamette," was the answer. "Water consumers will certainly be benefited by the purchase. The quality of water will be quite as good as in the past, and the cost will be reduced more than 50 per cent. The water company's net receipts in 1885 will approximate $85,000. They claim that they have between $800,000 and $900,000 invested in their plant, and they wanted 10 per cent on their investment. We will have only $450,000 invested in the same property, and have to earn only 5 per cent. The committee has already expended $20,000, and we may have to pay the company $50,000, so we have the $650,000 for additional street mains, etc., laid since August. This will be an investment of $500,000, and our net receipts need be only $25,000 to meet the interest. It is argued that a public works cannot be operated as economically as a private works. As a general rule this is true, but I question whether the will hold good in this case. It is entirely safe to predict that if the committee operates the waterworks next year, and does not build the pipe line, rates will not exceed 50 per cent. of the present rates and my own opinion is they will be about one-third of what consumers pay now.

"Now, don't misunderstand me, I was just stating what the committee would do in case a further issue of bonds was refused by the legislature. The committee have not the remotest idea of abandoning the Bull Run project, and I think water from that river will be distributed in Portland by the 1st of August, 1888, say eighteen months from the time work on the line commences."

Below are the figures published in THE OREGONIAN Aug. 11, 1886:

According to estimate of Engineer Smith, it will cost $450,000 to construct a pipe line and a reservoir of suitable capacity in the City park. This is over the shortest line with a crossing in the neighborhood of Jefferson street. It is almost certain that the bonds will sell at more than 6 per cent premium, but to be safe the committee calculate on 6 per cent, or, in round numbers, $540,000 premium.

Cost of pipe line and reservoirs	$ 990,000
Water works property	450,000
Additional distribution pipes	150,000
Total expenditures	$1,140,000

The premium on $1,000,000 bonds and the proceeds of the sale of real estate owned by the water company, which the water committee will not need, are expected to sum up $140,000.

JEANNIE WINSTON.

What the "Music and Drama" has to Say of the "Argonaut's" Criticism.

A few weeks since, after the first appearance of Jeannie Winston in San Francisco, the *Argonaut*, through its "Betsy B.," proclaimed to all its readers, far and near, that the singer was a creature, tall, majestic and dignified enough to appear the male characters she was meant to represent, and then stopped short and suggestive. In a different paragraph, referring to the effect of one of the operas in which Miss Winston sung as prima donna, much praise and credit were bestowed on the chorus, while she was this time credited with a "sweet voice." Nothing disparaging of her was said throughout, but everything remained unsaid, leaving the blank to infer that she was not a success in San Francisco. "Betsy" did not know, perhaps, that to Miss Winston alone belonged the credit of training that chorus; surely such a brilliant result must reflect its greater merit on the master. Then in one of the dailies appeared a notice that "Prince Methusalem" was played on a certain night to a slim house," when in reality it was not played till three nights after. The evident drift of my subject tends to disparage the unjust, discourteous remarks of said critics; those who attend "first nights" only, and then hesitate not, without inquiring into matters, to injure the fame of some true artist, while an amateur, with the "kick" and "wink" so taking in San Francisco, is lauded to the skies. In Jeannie Winston we find that rare combination of beauty, grace and musical refinement, apart from her pure, sweet, cultivated voice, which commends her at once as lady and artist.

THE COURTS.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

Ellis G. Hughes vs. the Dundee Mortgage and Trust Investment company, cases 1055, 1058 and 1059—Verdict for defendant.

U. S. vs. Wise and Cantner—Plea of not guilty changed to plea of guilty, and fined $100 each and costs.

STATE CIRCUIT COURT, NO. 1.

W. H. McKay vs. N. A. Musgrove—Motion to strike out parts of answer allowed.

H. Horton vs. M. F. Culver et al.—Order of publication of summons.

John Evers vs. George Herral et al.—On trial.

THE STAGE.

At the New Market theater last night Miss Katie Putnam and company appeared in a dramatization of Dickens's "Old Curiosity Shop" before a large and appreciative audience. Nothing could have been finer than Miss Putnam's Nell and the Marchioness. As Father Trentard, Mr. Emery was excellent, and J. A. Devlin made quite a hit as Dick Swiveler. To-night the "Pearl of Savoy" will be produced, and on Saturday there will be the usual matinee.

SUPREME COURT.

SALEM, Dec. 8.

Wm. Newhouse, appellant, vs. S. A. Newhouse, respondent; appeal from Marion county; argued and submitted.

Alice R. Dodd, respondent, vs. S. W. Dodd, appellant; appeal from Linn county; argued and submitted.

MINING NOTES.

Spokane Falls *Chronicle*: Bob Hargrove caused quite a commotion to-day among the mining circles by exhibiting some fine specimens of ore just received from a claim he is interested in on the Salmon river. The ore is a fine specimen of quartz, carrying carbonates and sulphates in almost equal proportions.

THE COLVILLE DISTRICT.

From the Miner.

Capitalists are turning a good share of their attention to this country, and, all things favorable, we will have a stirring camp soon.

Work on the Old Dominion mine was suspended yesterday until next Monday, to give the boys a chance to spend Thanksgiving holidays in the city.

Some very rich prospects are reported from the Okanagan country and several of our business men who have interests therein are highly elated over their assays.

Messrs. Mathews & Harrison, heavy mining operators of St. Louis, Mo., who have been in the country several days looking at the mines, started this morning for the Falls.

THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. WOODARD, CLARKE & CO., Agents.

EVENTS IN THE EAST.

Another Panic in the Pittsburg Oil Exchange.

DISCOVERY OF A DIAMOND FIELD.

A Split in the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association—A Supposed Dead Man Shows Signs of Life.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 8.—There was another panic at the oil exchange this morning, and prices dropped to 68¾, a decline of 13 cents since the opening yesterday. Oil traders in the city are entirely at sea, and old dealers, who passed safely through the great break of 1882, and still later the panic following the failure of the Pennsylvania bank in 1884, unite in saying that never in their recollection was the demoralization so complete. No one seems able to satisfactorily explain the sudden break, and fear of a still further decline is written plainly on the faces of all. A number of local banks are now calling in their oil loans, and others refuse to accept them without heavy margins. This, it is thought, will have a tendency to check speculation.

The market opened feverish at 72¾, and after hovering in that neighborhood for some time suddenly broke, and in a few minutes value had fallen off to 69¾. A slight reaction then followed, and at noon 70 was bid, with no disposition manifested to take any large blocks at those figures. At this hour all the sheets had passed the clearing house but that of C. S. Leslie, and 152,000 barrels of oil were sold under rule to meet his contracts. The amount of his failure is not known. Secretary Barbour of the exchange says the loss on oil up to last night since last Saturday will aggregate $3,000,000. Jacob H. Walters, an oil dealer, failed shortly after 12.

In the afternoon considerable strength was developed, and prices rallied at 70¾, closing at 69. Towards the closing hour dealers in Oil City began buying heavily, and this had the effect of stiffening values here and elsewhere. A feeling that the worst is over prevails in oil circles this evening, but it will be some time before the trade recovers from the severe shaking in the last forty-eight hours.

THE BREAK IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Petroleum opened steady at 73, but after the first sales, became weak and excited, and before noon declined 6 cents, to 67. The feeling in the morning was very panicky, and the decline was accompanied by the failure of several brokers to deposit margins, and some large lots were sold under rule for their account. In the afternoon the market rallied, and part of the morning's loss was recovered before 2 P. M., the price then being 70¾. It remained steady at th s point until the close, closing steady at 69¾. Sales, 986,000 barrels.

DISCOVERY OF A DIAMOND FIELD.

Kentucky People Excited Over a Gravel Bed Said to Contain Precious Stones.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—A *Times* Evansville, Ind., special says: There is considerable excitement at Paducah, Ky., over the assertion that a diamond field exists near there. For several years the streets of that city have been paved with what is known as conglomerate gravel, which is composed of coarse gravel with an iron solution and mixed with carbons. This gravel is found in a moist condition, but when exposed to the air hardens and forms a solid, compact mass. This was obtained from a bed comprising eight acres near the city. It was completely isolated, the land surrounding this spot being ordinary farming land.

Two weeks ago Major Seagraves, a geologist from New York, who was visiting Paducah, went out to the gravel field, and noticing the peculiar geological surroundings began looking for carbons. He found three or four ordinary looking pebbles, which he insists are diamonds in the rough. He forwarded a sample to the state geologist of Pennsylvania, who has replied that the sample submitted to him was similar to deposits found in the great diamond fields of Australia and Africa, and also that he had discovered microscopic particles of diamonds and garnets, but in order to give the subject more study he had forwarded the gravel to the Smithsonian institution for closer analysis.

No report has yet been received from Washington. Meanwhile the people of Paducah are wild with visions of untold wealth, and the proprietor of the gravel field has fenced it in and is guarding it.

EASTERN NEWS ITEMS

THE TRADES CONGRESS.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 8.—The second day's session of the trades congress opened at 10 A. M. The chairman announced the committees on order of business, resolutions and finance. The report of the legislative committee was read. Papers were read from the St. Louis Knights of Labor, setting forth grievances against the boss brewers of that city.

Chairman Gompers, of the legislative committee, recommended that congress resolve itself into committee of the whole, and attend the trades union conference, and that in the meantime the congress committees proceed with the work assigned to each. There was some opposition to this manner of forming a amalgamation of the two bodies, but the suggestions were adopted, and the congress took recess until noon.

When the congress convened again J. R. Scott, of Toronto, was elected chairman of the committee of the whole. They decided to enter the conference of trades unions now being held, and adjourned to meet at the call of the president.

At the conference, in the absence of President Weihe, of the Amalgamated association, Secretary McGuire called the meeting to order and proceeded to read the call setting forth the action of the trades conference in Philadelphia last May.

John McBride, P. J. McGuire and Samuel Gompers were nominated for temporary chairman and all declined, except McBride, who was elected. McGuire was elected temporary secretary. The chair named the following committee on credentials: Messrs. Strasser, Scott, Edmondson, Miller and McDermott. The conference adjourned to 2 P. M.

THE NATIONAL TROTTING ASSOCIATION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—A meeting of the board of review of the National Trotting association was held to-day at the Fifth Avenue hotel. Judge Grant presided, and there were also present Vice-Presidents Edward Martin of St. Louis, Gen. W. L. Tilton of Maine, Morgan Buckley of Hartford, Thomas Axworthy of Cleveland, Paul Packe of Pittsburg, and D. J. Campbell of Detroit. After a heated discussion, Thomas J. Vail of Hartford, was re-elected secretary of the association by four votes to three. Those who opposed Vail were Tilton, Campbell and Martin. It is expected that the decision will cause a rupture in the board, and that Western men will form a new association. The board upheld the decision of the judges in the Zalin case.

IS HE DEAD?

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 8.—A special to the *Post-Dispatch* from Poplar Grove, Mo., says: W. W. Stead, an alderman of this city and well known in the county, was supposed to have died last Sunday. His body was laid out, and all the arrangements made for the funeral, which was to have occurred to-day. Yesterday, however, signs of resuscitation became apparent. The face assumed its natural color; the temperature became distinctly warmer and the eyelids opened, and that several times. He was spoken to, but gave no sign that he heard or understood. It is thought possible that he may be brought back to life, although the efforts of physicians to accomplish that end have so far failed. In the meantime the funeral has been postponed.

ANOTHER SHOCK OF EARTHQUAKE.

MISSOURI CITY, Dec. 8.—A distinct shock of earthquake was felt here at 8:35 last night. A low, rumbling noise was first heard and a perceptible jar followed, shaking buildings and rattling windows. The duration was about three seconds.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 8.—Another earthquake shock was felt here about 4:30 this morning. It was very perceptible, waking up sound sleepers, and the tremors appeared to last fully a minute.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 8.—There was another earthquake shock here about 4:20 this morning. It was very perceptible, waking up sound sleepers, and the tremors appeared to last fully a minute.

THE STEAMSHIP WAR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The steamship war continues with unabated intensity. The Allan line announced to-day that their steerage rates, both ways from Quebec, had been reduced to $15. The Anchor line will undoubtedly reduce rates to-morrow. Agents of the Cunard line announce that on Monday their prepaid steerage rates to this port from England will be made to meet the cut of the White Star line. The National, Iceman and Guion lines have not reduced yet, but will undoubtedly be forced into the fight to-morrow.

A STORM PREDICTED.

BURLINGTON, Iowa, Dec. 8.—Professor Foster's next storm date for this meridian is within twenty-four hours of December 11. He predicts a storm of great energy over the western states, followed by a cold wave.

DEATH OF SIGNOR OPERTI.

DENVER, Dec. 8.—Leadville special to the *News*: Signor Operti, the great composer, impresario and leader of the "Clio" orchestra, died here last night from congestion of the lungs. Deceased composed the music of "The Black Crook," was leader of the orchestra at the Centennial exposition, author of several French operas, and prior to coming to America was pianist to Victor Emanuel, king of Italy. The remains will be shipped to New York.

THE NEW TELEGRAPH COMBINATION.

BUFFALO, Dec. 8.—The Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph company to-day completed its connection with the Canadian Pacific railway lines. This connection establishes communication between the Baltimore & Ohio system in the United States and the Canadian Pacific system from Quebec to British Columbia, Pacific coast. It is expected that a line from Vancouver to San Francisco will be completed within thirty days.

FIVE BRAVE MEN DROWNED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The steamer Knickerbocker, of the Cromwell line, which plies between this city and New Orleans, arrived at an early hour this morning and reported the loss of her first officer, Capt. Bartholomew and four of her crew, drowned Tuesday morning while trying to render aid to the schooner Mary D. Craler of Philadelphia, which had her rudder disabled.

FAILURES.

HEAVY FAILURE AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—C. M. Foster & Co., importers of upholstery goods, corner Grand and Crosby streets, said to be the largest house in their line in the city, announce their failure. The members of the firm, Chester M. Foster and his son, Charles E. Foster, made a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors. Preferences were given aggregating $193,000. The business was established about twenty years ago by Charles M. Foster, and he admitted his son, Charles E., as partner ten years ago.

The firm did a large business, buying principally in Europe, and had a branch house in Paris. Charles E. Foster, the junior partner, said his father attended to the financial part of the business and he was at home sick. He thought the assets of the firm would amount to about $800,000. The liabilities are nearly as large. The greater part of the liabilities, he said, were in Europe, the creditors there being secured. Of the home creditors nearly all were secured or had good collaterals.

A NEW YORK FAILURE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The suspension of Stephen Lane, of 96 Chambers street, and P. F. Ellison, of 84 Broadway, both members of the consolidated mining and petroleum exchange, is officially announced to-day.

OREGON.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY.

The son of J. B. Hutch got thrown from a horse on the 25th and was seriously injured.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Mrs. D. A. Sackett, of Little Butte precinct, has been adjudged insane. She has become quite melancholy since the death of her children about eighteen months ago, and has a desire to remain shut continually.

A son of George McLaren, who is in charge of Henley & Co.'s place on Big Applegate, was kicked recently by a horse and dangerously hurt. It is feared that his skull is fractured and that his chances for recovery are slim.

LINN COUNTY.

Albany *Herald*: Mrs. A. L. Bridgefarmer of Tangent died suddenly at her home near Tangent on Thursday last. She was taken ill with paralysis on Thursday about noon, and died the same evening about 11 o'clock. The remains were conveyed to Halsey, where the funeral took place. She leaves, besides her husband, who is well known throughout Linn county, five children, one of whom is a daughter only twelve months of age.

YAMHILL COUNTY.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hiatt were called to Forest Grove on Saturday on account of the death of Mr. Hiatt's father.

Reporter: William E. Warren and wife have sold their farm to Soper Brothers, consideration $6600. This is one of the finest farms in Yamhill county, and Messrs. Soper are to be congratulated upon their good fortune in securing it. Mr. and Mrs. Warren will remain in the city, having purchased the property of Rev. J. Soper, adjacent to their present home.

GRANT COUNTY.

Long Creek *Eagle*: A gold nugget, weighing $62 03, recently dug from a prospecting hole on Big creek, was shown us yesterday. The joy of the digger is still slopping over in Ed Allen's saloon.

There is nothing clearer than that Long Creek should, as soon as possible, complete the road built by Umatilla county to North Fork with the intention of reaching Long Creek. Long Creek is a big, rich and almost isolated country, and nearer to Pendleton than to any other commercial point, and the finishing of the road between these and North Fork is the way to get out of our detached situation at the most advantageous point. Let Long Creek prove herself sufficiently enterprising to complete this road at once.

ASTORIA.

Astorian Dec. 8: The attending physician reported Mrs. H. C. Thompson some better last evening.

Mrs. J. F. Backenste, of Albany, is in the city attending her daughter, Mrs. Merrill, who is quite ill.

The Dawn, Dolphin, Lillian, Montesano, Union and one or two other boats await the official visit of Messrs. Lotan and Ferguson. It is thought that they will be down this way to-morrow.

While returning his revolver to its sheath after examining it, last Monday night, Wm. Glover, who was standing in the building adjoining Jeff's restaurant at the time, accidentally shot himself, the bullet entering his left leg at the knee and ranging downward in the calf. All efforts to extract it have thus far proved unsuccessful.

Wm. Starr had a narrow escape from drowning last Monday afternoon. While stepping from the Glen Canby to the dock his foot slipped and he fell between the dock and the vessel, striking his head on the dock as he fell. When he reached the water he was slightly stunned, but managed to reach the line that Capt. Parker and engineer Smith promptly flung to him and was hauled aboard.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

O. Bidwell died at his residence, near Drain, November 30, aged 78 years.

M. E. Mulvaney, while at work in the stone quarry near Comstock, was struck by a large rock, which rolled down from the mountain above, and his right leg broken.

Frank Kenyon, of Roseburg, who was kicked in the face by a vicious colt some time ago, is having a great deal of trouble with his eyes, and fears are entertained that they will never fully recover.

The new mail route from Rossburg to Millwood, in Douglas county, has been granted. No greater advantages has been offered those residing in the Hubbard Creek section, as it puts them in direct communication with the county seat.

Roseburg *Review*: Tuesday afternoon as Mr. Limbeck, wife and daughter, were returning home, when on the bridge at Flook's mill a blast was fired near them, and the horses became unmanageable and fell from the bridge, killing both instantly. One had his neck broken, the other had a rod of iron run entirely through him. The wagon was badly used up, and the strangest feature of the matter is, Mr. Limbeck and daughter were not hurt at all, and Mrs. Limbeck but little, yet they all went over with the wagon and horses.

NEWSPAPER TALK.

The *Alaskan*, published at Sitka, has begun on its second year.

The first number of the *Pacific Coast Skin*, published in this city and edited by C. H. Hewitt, has just been issued.

John T. Horsell has sold the *New Era* at Elensburg to a farmer by the name of S. T. Sterling for $1200 cash. Just how the material of a newspaper will be utilized in farming remains to be seen.

IDAHO.

The Lewiston *Teller* states that a careful estimate of the population of Idaho shows but 60,000 people, and that admittance into state ship is out of the question, unless the north annexes to Washington and the south to Nevada.

PACIFIC COUNTY.

Sheriff Turner and M. S. Griswold, justice of the peace, have been charged by one D. S. Stratton with malfeasance in office.

Oysterville *Journal*: There is a good deal of talking going on in various parts of the county. Another season there will be still more thrown up.

Judge Briscoe says he will soon have the affairs of Brookman & Clark straightened out and be able to continue business by opening the store.

J. M. Colman, of Seattle, has purchased a lot of improved machinery for his new mill at Shoalwater bay and says that institution is now in a condition to turn out 75,000 feet of lumber daily. The timber in the Shoalwater bay section, he says, is principally spruce. The trees are of immense size and thick growth, and as the lumber is in much demand in California the company owning the mill expects to do well at once. Mr. Colman, as general manager of the mill company, will make his headquarters in Seattle, where he contemplates extensive building operations in the spring.

THE LONDON SCANDAL

Lord Campbell Again Called to the Witness Stand.

AN INDIGNANT FATHER-IN-LAW.

His Lordship Makes a Statement that Causes a Sensation in Court—He is Questioned as to his Ailment.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The trial of the Campbell divorce case was resumed to-day. Counsel for Lady Colin Campbell asked that an order be issued compelling Lord Colin to give further security for payment of his wife's costs. This the judge refused to grant.

Lord Colin was again called to the witness stand. He testified that Lady Colin admitted in July, 1883, while ill, that she received two or three letters each day from the Duke of Marlborough. She refused to show the letters to him. She also confessed to receiving letters from General Buller. When he asked her to show them to him she replied that she did not keep her letters. When Lady Colin left the Zion house she said she was going to her sister's at Beaufort Gardens. He asked her why she went to Cadogan Place and wrote letters dated Beaufort Gardens. Witness thought she so dated her letters. On being pressed by the judge he said he was sure he asked her if she took anybody home with her from the ball on the previous Friday night, and Lady Colin denied that anyone was with her.

A DRAMATIC INTERRUPTION.

Here Blood, father of plaintiff, rose in court, and shaking his fist at Lord Colin, said: "You are making infamous charges against your wife! It is not the first time you have lied regarding her!"

Witness continued: Lady Colin said to him that unless, before he left the room, he signed a paper binding himself never to molest her again, she would go to her solicitor. Witness said he repudiated this attempt at intimidation, and refused to sign such a paper. He asked Lady Miles to go with him into another room, and after a conversation with her they returned to the family council. Lady Miles said to Lady Colin: "Colin consents to say that he made no charges against you." Witness expressed his willingness to submit the question of his health to a medical commission, and if the result was favorable he would take no undue advantage. But he stipulated that Lady Colin must abandon her correspondence with the Duke of Marlborough. His wife then referred him to her solicitor and refused to see him alone. It was untrue that he continually made overtures to his wife, but he did refuse to bind himself eternally against cohabitation.

The judge here said: "If Lady Colin was innocent, her husband's questions were most insulting."

Lord Colin denied that he committed adultery with Mary Watson. He said he had taken action in Paris against his wife under his solicitor's advice. He denied having asked Lady Miles to apologize to Dr. Bird for having alleged that the doctor had caused a miscarriage.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Under cross-examination Lord Colin said he never studied surgery, but attended lectures in the college of surgeons on gynecology and obstetrics.

A letter was read from Lord Colin to Dr. Bird, in which the writer said he had studied for a long time in the college of surgeons, and knew a great deal about such matters. Witness admitted having written this letter. He refused to swear that he had not told his counsel that Lady Miles said his wife had a miscarriage. His illness began in 1871, and was afterwards continuous from 1876 to 1881, when he was perfectly well. He remembered that at the trial in 1884 the jury was asked to say whether or not he suffered from a disease which could be communicated to his wife. At that time he heard his counsel say that there was not a single charge of any kind against Lady Colin. Ellen Brown and Mrs. Duffy told him in July, 1883, what they had testified, and he had believed their statements. He admitted having remonstrated with his wife against her overtaxing her strength with charitable work. When asked if his wife ever lied to him he said she had used deception. He admitted that after his wife left him at the Zion house his brother Walter called to see him at Cadogan Place. While absent Lady Colin corresponded with him until the final rupture. He only kept one of her letters. This letter was written in December, 1881. It began with "Darling Boy," and ended with "Your Arab."

A SENSATION IN COURT.

After the marriage Lady Colin never said she had suffered from something she was unable to understand. He did not remember having told his wife to take precautions. He admitted that he told her to consult with her sister, but not about anything she told him. When pressed he admitted having said previous to the trial that he told his wife to take precaution to prevent having children. This admission caused a sensation in the court room. Lord Colin further said that his means were limited. His wife provided £10,000 to furnish their house and she bought the furniture at auction sales and decorated the house at her own expense. He admitted that Rose Baer was dismissed July 11, not, as she swore, the 4th of June. He believed his wife went to Leigh court July 10. If his counsel said Lady Colin rushed back suddenly and dismissed Rose Baer witness was bound to believe him. [Laughter.

Lord Colin admitted having used violence on Mrs. Ilaffie. He further admitted that when he asked Lady Colin in May, 1883, to write a farewell message she had sent to him that month, his wife replied: "I will, but for God's sake leave me alone." Lord Colin also said the Duke of Marlborough sent presents to Lady Colin at their marriage, and dined with her afterward. Witness admitted that he twice had an infectious disease, the first time in 1876. Adjourned.

MEXICO.

THERE YET MAY BE WAR.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 8.—It is generally believed here that diplomatic questions of grave importance will soon arise between the United States and Mexico, growing out of the position taken by President Cleveland against the right of Mexico to try Americans committing offenses against Mexican law while on American soil. Newspapers of all shades of opinion stand by the government in this matter, on the ground that the principle is a sound one and supported by some of the most highly civilized nations of the world.

Preliminary judicial proceedings have been taken to bring criminal libel suits against the authors of recent reports regarding Minister Manning's conduct at a private dinner. The governor of the federal district is active in trying to detect the sources of these reports.

The physician who has been in attendance on Minister Manning says he has been suffering from two distinct compla nts—a distressing umbilical affection and incipient pneumonia. Minister Manning is at the legation, discharging the ordinary duties of his office.

IRELAND.

FIERCE RIOTING AT LURGAN.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—The Catholics of Lurgan, county Armagh, formed in procession last night and marched through the streets to show their joy at the acquittal of some of their number who had been tried on a charge of rioting. The arrangement of the town resented and attacked the paraders. A fierce riot ensued and sticks, stones and revolvers were used. The fighting lasted several hours and was finally quelled in the early morning by a troop of dragoons which had to be called upon. A score of persons were wounded and several houses were partly wrecked.

A WARNING FROM ARCHBISHOP WALSH.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—Archbishop Walsh, in a letter published to-day, warns the government that the difficulties in Ireland, already appalling, will be immensely increased if they persist in their attempts to convict prisoners by picked, or packed juries, as was the case at Sligo.

CANADA.

COAL IN NORTHWEST TERRITORY.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 8.—A seam of anthracite coal, seven feet six inches in diameter, has been struck at Banff, N. W. T. This seam is only one cut of six in that locality, the smallest being three feet in thickness. The six seams contain coal enough to supply the entire Northwest territory for the next fifty years.

SHIP OWNERS IN TROUBLE.

QUEBEC, Dec. 8.—D. & J. Maguire, extensive ship owners of this city, are in financial difficulty. Their liabilities are estimated at half a million.

ENGLAND.

HEAVY GALES IN ENGLAND AND IRELAND.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Heavy gales prevail throughout England and Ireland, and communication by telegraph is seriously interrupted.

GERMANY.

DEATH OF AN AMERICAN CONSUL.

MUNICH, Dec. 8.—Joseph W. Harper, U. S. consul here, died at the consulate to-day.

A JURY SECURED TO TRY M'QUADE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The work of securing a jury to try ex-Alderman McQuade was completed this afternoon. The jury was sworn in at 2:40 P. M. Three hundred and ninety-two talesmen have been examined, and the work lasted nearly eight days.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

GARFIELD COUNTY.

Pomeroy is to have a fire engine.

ADAMS COUNTY.

Charles Jell, who was engaged in running a pumping engine at Lind, a station on the Northern Pacific, eighteen miles west of Ritzville, suicided last week. Cause, intemperance.

CHEHALIS COUNTY.

The divorce suit of Peterson vs. Peterson, of Chehalis county, has been decided and a decree of divorce granted. The property was divided equally between Glenn Peterson and his wife.

SPOKANE COUNTY.

At Spokane Falls a home company has put 350 incandescent electric lights into stores and hotels. The light gives such great satisfaction that the demand is greater than the supply, and another dynamo is to be put in at once.

OLYMPIA.

Capt. Holmes of the Umatilla thinks that it is impossible to dredge out a channel to the Olympia wharf in the manner attempted. He says that the mud is hard and sticky, and that it fails to respond to the motion of the steamer's propeller. He thinks that it will cost $15,000 to dig out the channel required.

STEVENS COUNTY.

Okanagan Smith has bonded sixteen of his claims to a syndicate for $180,000, so the *Yakima Signal* is informed. Smith's claims are in British Columbia and in the Okanagan district. Smith, it is said, has as many more unbonded. He has had them for several years, and by holding on to them may make something yet.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Out of the twenty-five babies born in Douglas county since the first of January, says the *Yakima Signal*, all but two are girls.

Douglas county boasts of not having a saloon within its boundaries. It is the only county in the territory that can truthfully make such a claim.

KITTITAS COUNTY.

Alexander Perdom, a well known printer, had his leg taken off while loading cars with logs in Thomas's camp, on the construction line of the Cascade division, a few days ago.

Yakima *Farmer*: A man was run over by the cars five miles above Cle-